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THE COUNTY POOR FARM

Report by Commissioner W. N. Osburn.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES

Permanent Improvement—Farm well Stocked—Net Balance $438.60 For Year.

McKinney, Tex., Nov. 15, 02.
To the Honorable Commissioners Court of Collin county.

At the November term of Commissioners Court 1901 I was appointed by your honorable body to manage the County Farm for one year ending Nov. 15, 1902.

I therefore beg leave to submit to you and through you to the citizens of Collin county my annual report. I have used every endeavor, if possible, to make the county farm more than self-supporting and am glad to say that I have had the hearty co operation of the other Commissioners and County Judge and have been ably assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Burgess, superintendents on the farm. They both take great interest in the work and management—raising vegetables, chickens, etc., such things as are used by themselves and paupers. They also pride themselves in keeping every thing in repair and keeping the quarters of the paupers clean and seem to try to make it as pleasant a place as possible for those who are forced to make a county farm their home.

We have at this time 26 head of high grade cattle and 40 head of good hogs, and are taking care of six paupers but have had as high as twelve at one time during this year.

We have this year expended $59.00 improving hay shed, gates, fencing garden, etc., have also set out some fruit trees. I return the farm in good state of cultivation, fencing, gates, lots, etc., in good repair, stock in good shape. To who ever may take charge of the farm I wish merited success.

I hereby present a statement of receipts, disbursments and balances:

RECEIPTS FROM THE FARM.

770 bu. of Corn at 50c per bu	$350.00
680 bu. of Oats at 43c per bu	292.40
66 tons of Hay at $10 per ton	660.00
Increase in Cattle	160.00
Cash from sale of Cattle	167.50
" " " Hogs	45.00
" " " Hay	13.20
Total	$1,628.10

EXPENSES.

Wages of Supt. on farm	$465.00
Hired help	200.00
Baling hay	140.00
Cutting oats	22.50
Threshing oats	27.20
Provisions used on farm	140.00
Cane seed and millet seed	77.60
Dry goods, extra bed. blankets, quilts	50.00
	$1,122.30
Permanent improvements	59.20
Total	$1,181.50
Balance	438.60

W. N. OSBURN,
Co. Com. Dist. No. 3.

Coming Foot Ball Game.

The Y. M. C. A. foot ball team will play a game with the Richardson team at Rambo's park on Thanksgiving day.

They will also play the Garland team here December 5th and the Weatherford team December 12th.

These games promise to be interesting as the teams are all good ones.

The McKinney team is gaining quite a reputation. It contains some excellent players and several new ones will be put on for those occasions.

Marriage License.

J. B. Taylor and Miss Minnie Hayes.

J. Murray McNeill and Miss Vernie Yarbrough.

J. F. Gaither and Miss May Hall.

Will McDaniel and Miss Electa Galloway.

SCHOOL MASS MEETING

Held in District Court Room Last Night.

M'KINNEY'S OPPORTUNITY

Address By President Claggett on Texas Presbyterian University. Plan of Action.

First meeting looking to the establishment of a college in McKinney was called at the court house at 7:30 Friday evening.

The object of the meeting was stated by Mayor Pearson in a ten minutes speech in which he very forcibly spoke of the need of such an institution and of the dense population and immense wealth of Collin county. He stated that Collin county was the richest agricultural county in the U. S.

At the close of his speech Mr. Pearson introduced Rev. W. H. Clagett, President Board Trustees Texas Presbyterian University, who spoke at length on the proposed University, giving in details the plans and purpose of establishing such a University in the south-west. He stated that the school would be located somewhere in North Texas and within a radius of 75 miles of Dallas or Ft. Worth. The location would be selected in January at the next meeting of their board.

After short addresses by Dr. Jno. H. McLean, Dr. E. E. King, Prof. Frank G. Jones, Prof. T. W. Lanham, and others it was decided to organize and make an effort to get the Texas Presbyterian University to locate in McKinney. J. S. Heard was elected chairman and took the chair. N. R. Stone was elected secretary.

The motion was put and carried to appoint a committee of five to draft plans and methods for a general canvass for the purpose of ascertaining what McKinney and Collin county are willing to offer in the way of subscription and other inducements to secure the proposed University, and that this committee make report at the next meeting. The chair appointed on this committee, R. L. Waddill, Dr. T. W. Wiley, Prof. Frank G. Jones, L. A. Scott and H. H. Crouch.

The motion was put and unanimously carried that we recognize this as the greatest opportunity that ever came to McKinney.

On motion the meeting adjourned to meet Wednesday night at the court house.

Tom E. Batson, son of T. S. Batson and brother of Mrs. J. H. Sneed, returned Friday to his home at Cason, Morris county, after a weeks visit here.

SALVATION ARMY BOYS

Letter From Cadet George A. Lynn at Chicago.

George A. Lynn, who is attending the Salvation Army Training School in Chicago, writes as follows concerning himself and two other McKinney boys, Edward and Goodman Elkins, who are with him:

"We arrived in Chicago at 9:40 a. m. on the 13th day of Sept. then proceeded to the Training Home which is situated at 98 Warren Avenue.

The training home is a four story structure with modern eqipments. There are at the present time 21 boys in the home all expecting to be sent away on or about Jan 1st as officers of the Salvation Army, and to be sent to different parts of the U. S., to begin the duties of a true Soldier for Jesus.

I may write a description of the life of a Salvationist in the city of Chicago in my next.

With best wishes to the Courier and all friends in McKinney, I am Very truly,
CADET GEORGE A. LYNN,
Of the Salvation Army.

COLLIN COUNTY FINANCES

Affidavit of Commissioners Court to County Funds.

AMOUNTS VARIOUS FUNDS

Indebtedness and Ready Resources of The County—Available and Perm'nt School Fund

Affidavit of Commissioners Court to County Funds:

Before me the undersigned authority of Collin County, Texas on this day came and personally appeared J. H. Faulkner, county judge, Mack Smith. J. T. Howard, W. N. Osburn and H. R. Chaddick. commissioners of Collin county, Texas, who on their oaths state that on the 14th day of November, A. D. 1902 they actually counted the money belonging to Collin county Texas as per quarterly report of D. E. Neathery, County Treasurer at this term of the court and found the following funds to be as follows to-wit:

Jury fund, first class, overdrawn	$5921.36
Road and bridge fund, second class, on hand	7724.50
General county fund, third class. on hand	1610.50
Court house fund, fourth class, account balances, nothing on hand.	
Permanent school fund, fifth class, on hand	952.17
Available school fund, sixth class on hand	12082.13

All of which is respectfully submitted this 15th day of Nov. A. D. 1902.

J. H. FAULKNER, County Judge.
MACK SMITH, County Commis'nr.
J. T. HOWARD, Co. Commission'r
W. N. OSBURN, Co. Commis'n'r.
H. R. CHADDICK, Co. Commisn'r.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this Nov. 15, 1902.

J. P. MOULDEN,
County Clerk.

INDEBTEDNESS OF COLLIN CO.

Accounts allowed but not paid	$10357.43
Jury fund, overdrawn, as shown by Treasurer's report	5921.36
Due the Permanent School fund of Collin County, as shown by warrants in possession of D. E. Neathery, County Treasurer	8047.00
Interest, due upon above to date	711.42
Total	$25037.21

This amount was due by Collin County on Saturday morning, Nov. 15th, 1902, at the time the undersigned became members of the Commissioner's court. The treasurer's report and the affidavit above show the amount of money on hand in the various funds at that time.

The available school money is not subject to the disposal of the Commissioner's Court, and cannot be used by said court, but is paid out by the County Treasurer upon orders of the County Superintendent for school purposes.

The Permanent School Fund is required by law to be kept loaned out by the Commissioners Court, and the interest on the same goes into the Available School Fund to be disbursed by the County Superintendent.

F. E. WILCOX, County Judge.
N. A. BURTON, Co. Commission'r
N. J. STINEBAUGH, Co. Commissioner.
F. M. BROOKS, Co. Commission'r

Frisco Lake Was Ruined.

The heavy rains of Saturday night caused the dam to the large lake at Frisco to burst.

The Frisco railroad track runs across a part of the dam and as a heavily loaded freight train was passing over it Monday, the dam gave way, the engine and seven car boxes rolled down the steep embankment.

Immediately the water began to pour through the break and escaped with great volume until the lake was drained.

The engineer and fireman on the engine were seriously injured.

THE GOV'S APPOINTMENTS

Those Who Will Hold Office Under Gov. Lanham.

SEVERAL ARE TO HOLD OVER

From Gov. Sayers Administration. Col. Hill Does Not Want Reappointment.

Austin, Tex., Nov. 19.—Governor-elect Lanham has decided concerning the majority of those who will be appointed and recommended for the different State offices under the next administration. They are as follows:

Private Secretary, N. A. Cravens of Willis; Secretary of State, J. R. Curl of Parker county; Assistant Attorney General, Howard Marlin of Weatherford; Adjutant General, Thomas Scurry of Dallas; State Purchasing Agent, W. B. Anderson of San Antonio, Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds, C. E. Gilbert of Austin: Financial Agent Penitentiaries, John Wortham of Mexia; Superintendent State Penitentiaries, Searcy Baker of Huntsville; Assistant Superintendent of Penitentiary at Rusk, John B. Reagan of Rusk; Assistant Superintendent in charge Gatesville reformatory, L. J. Tankersley of Killeen; Superintendent North Texas Insane Asylum, J. L. Turner, M. D.; Superintendent Austin Insane Asylum, B. M. Worsham, M. D., of Belton; Superintendent Southwestern Insane Asylum, Marvin L. Graves, M. D., of Waco; Superintendent Blind Asylum, Austin, H. L. Piner of Whitewright; State Health Officer, George R. Tabor of Bryan; Superintendent Orphans' Home, Corsicana, J. J. Swann of Marlin; Fish and Oyster Commissioner, I. P. Kibbe of Port Lavaca; Superintendent Deaf, Dumb and Blind Asylum for Colored Youths, S. J. Jenkins of Brenham.

Col. Lanham left Austin tonight. He will reach Fort Worth tomorrow morning, where he expects to remain until 3 p. m,, when he will leave for his home at Weatherford. He expects to leave for Washington next Monday or Tuesday, and expects to devote the few days while at home to his private business.

Col. W. M. C. Hill, Financial Agent of the Penitentiaries, called on Col. Lanham last night and announced to him that he did not desire a reappointment.

Of the above named appointees, Cravens, Scurry, Baker, Tankersley, Turner, Worsham, Graves, Piner, Tabor, Kibbe and Jenkins hold over from Governor Sayers' administration.

Waddle Worsham went to Denison Saturday.

TALKED WITH FARNHAM

Mr. R. B. Creasy Saw the Trolley Builder Last Night

R. B. Creasy met Mr. Farnham last night at Dallas and rode as far as Greenville on the train with him. Mr. Farnham went on to Sherman. He told Mr. Creasy he expected to begin grading next Monday for a line from Sherman through Blue Ridge, McKinney and Dallas, thence to the gulf. When the graders begin they expect to make five miles a day.

Mr. Farnham told Mr. Creasy that he would be in Greenville soon to talk with the people about building a line. The first line, however, will be a north and south one, the others to join it in various places. When Mr. Farnham comes here he will receive a careful hearing, as Greenville needs and wants one of the trolley lines.—Greenville Banner Nov 18.

Mrs. L. F. Daniel and children, of Beaumont, who have been here for several weeks visiting her sister, Mrs. George Wilcox, left Thursday for Bonham to visit her parents.

COTTON MILLS IN SOUTH

Comparison With Figures Twenty Years Ago

BUSINESS GREW 125 PER CENT

While Mills in North Show Only 27 Per Cent Increase in Same Period

A. F. Parker the practical cotton manufacturer of Houston, submits the following comparison of cotton mill statistics of twenty years ago with those of the present:

"Houston, Tex, Nov. 21, 1902—The whole United States then consumed 1,694,000 bales of cotton. We are now using cotton at the rate of 3,435,000 bales per year An increase of 1,741,000 bales or 125 per cent.

Seventy seven per cent of this increase of 1,339,000 bales is credited to the Southern States. of which amount Texas does not consume more than 30,000 bales, while our State raises near one third of the entire crop of the United States. Twenty years ago, Southern cotton mills only used 187,000 bales of cotton per year. Today this amount has grown to 1,526,000 bales, an increase of 715 per cent for the Southern cotton factories, while the mills in the North show an increase of only about 27 per cent in twenty years time.

Ten years ago 1,740,000 spindles in the South were consuming 550,000 bales of cotton yearly or about 158 pounds per spindle. Ten years later (present time) there are 5,500,000 spindles in the South using 1,526,000 bales of cotton yearly.

Just imagine the enormous increase in the business of the South, and many prominent mill men predict that in the next ten years, 85 per cent of the cotton crop of the South will be manufactured South of the Mason and Dixon line. It can not be otherwise, for the natural demand of the trade, will insist, that where the cotton is grown, there it must be manufactured.

If there was no other reason, that of economy would be all sufficient. While Texas raises 1,500,000,000 pounds, she used only 1,500,000 pounds."

The Presbyterry Mission Union.

Mesdames John Heard, J. C. Erwin, Miss Ada Richardson and Rev. S. L. Rieves returned from Dallas Thursday, where they went to attend a meeting held at the First Presbyterian church for the purpose of organizing a Missionary Union, for the Dallas Presbytery which, as Dr. McPherren of Sherman stated, "is larger than the state of Tennessee and embraces 46,000 square miles." The presbytery is increasing so rapidly in population that a more systematic method of doing mission work is desired. At this meeting Dr. John Moore of Sherman delivered an address on the best way of awakening interest in misssion work. Dr. Moore is said to be the oldest pastor in the state, having begun his work thirty-two years ago. He stated that when he came to Texas there was only one presbytery in this State and that it was called the Presbytery of East Texas. There were very few Presbyterian churches in the State. "Now," he said, "there are 390 Presbyterian churches in this State and four presbyteries. The church has increased something like 400 per cent in the last twenty years. It is of great importance to establish a systematic mission organization throughout the presbytery.

The above named representatives from the McKinney Missionary society report an interesting meeting. Lunch was served to the conference in the church parlors by the ladies of the church.

FOR A PERMANENT CAMP

Of Instruction for Troops of the United States Army

A SITE NEAR SAN ANTONIO

Gen. Grant Recommends the Purchase of 20,000 Acres of Land Inspection Made

San Antonio, Tex., Nov. 24.—Gen. Frederick D. Grant, commanding the department of Texas, has forwarded to the War Department at Washington his recommendation for the purchase of a 20,000-acre tract of land near San Antonio on which to establish a permanent camp of instruction for troops of the United States army.

An inspection of the property in question was made by General Grant and his staff ten days ago and his report that it meets all requirements and is peculiarly adapted to the purpose for which the Government needs it, being conveniently located with reference to railroads and to the Gulf Coast and is within twenty-four hours ride to any portion of the Texas-Mexican border. For a camp of concentration in case of war Gen. Grant is of the opinion that this location could not be surpassed anywhere in the South.

To Wed in Denison.

Invitations have been received by friends here, to the marriage of Read Markham to Miss Lelia Birch, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Birch, of Denison, on the evening of the 3rd of December, at First Presbyterian church. Mr. Markham is well known here being a son of the late Dr. Markham, one of McKinney's best citizens, who died several years ago. Mr. Markham and his mother have been living in Sherman for several years, he being a large stock holder and officer in the Sherman National Bank. The Courier extends congratulations in advance.

The Foot Ball Game.

The game of foot ball which was played between Plano High School team and McKinney Y. M. C. A. team Wednesday at Rambo's Park resulted in Plano going down in defeat.

The score was five to nothing. The playing was good throughout, and everything passsed off in the nicest possible manner.

Another game will be played here with the Weatherford team on Thanksgiving day, and the team earnestly hopes for a larger attendance than was present yesterday.

CHANGE IN FIRM

Wilson Bros. Succeed Alma Wilson & Sons at Princeton

Charles A. Wilson. the affable junior member of the firm of Wilson Brothers, who succeeds Alma Wilson & Sons, dealers in general merchandise at Princeton, was a pleasant caller at our office and left an order for job work.

Mr. Farnham Coming

As stated by Mr. B. B. Creasy yesterday in The Banner, Mr. Farnham expects to be in Greenville in a few days to talk with our people about a trolley road. It is thought his plan will be to build from McKinney through Farmersville to Greenville. The business men should be ready to hear what Mr. Farnham has to say when he comes, and meet him cordially to hear his propositions.—Greenville Banner.

Mrs. N. E. Johnson and son, Norman, returned to their home at Lindsay, I. T., Wednesday, after a visit to their daughter and sister, Mrs. S. H. Cole.

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Several farmers around Tyler have corn that was planted in July that they expect to yield forty bushels to the acre.

Septimus Winner, composer of "The Mockingbird," is dead at his home in Philadelphia at the age of 76 years.

The First Baptist church of Dallas is to be enlarged to twice its present seating capacity which is 1500.

W. S. McShan, dry goods merchant at Pilot Point, has assigned Total liabilities $21,232.27. Total assets $30,425.

We can not help thinking of the sweet old custom the paid-up subscriber used to have of presenting the editor with a turkey Thanksgiving.—Memphis News.

Robert Carver of Denison, associate editor of the Herald and correspondent of the Dallas News has been appointed private secretary to C. B. Randell.

A special from League City, Texas, says they are again shipping ripe strawberries and are selling them from $6 to $8 a crate If the present warm weather continues ripe strawberries will be plentiful by Christmas.

The Bell & Warner livery stable at Dallas was burned Saturday morning consuming fifty-three horses, which were on 2nd floor. The vehicles on the ground floor were saved. Insurance will not exceed $1000.

Mothers make the memories that are to be the inheritance of their children during all our lives. What a tribute to mother love it is, when the silver haired man or woman says: "We did have such good times when we were children!"

Parties in town early in the week from the old Massie farm west of Princeton report that a well on the place was running out at the top, the first time since the big rains of 1882, twenty years ago, which in a measure shows that the rain has been extremely heavy this fall.—Farmersville Times.

At a meeting of representative business men of McKinney a motion unanimously prevailed that "we build a cotton factory," and a committee of leading citizens at once set to work soliciting stockholders. The most salient point made was that "McKinney is an ideal place for a cotton mill, being situated in the center of the richest county on earth, with the choicest cotton fiber growing in its fields, plenty of water, and a healthy patriotic people to encourage it to a degree that competition need not be dreaded." We "hope and trust" that ye be successful in the undertaking.—Farmersville Sentinel.

Dr. E. E. King left Tuesday for Dallas to attend the meeting of the Board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Miss Sarah Webb returned last night from a visit to Temple and Belton. She says the girls in Baylor college at Belton from this section are looking fine and in good spirits.

Mrs Van Heath left Tuesday for Brownwood where she will join her husband and make that place their future home. The best wishes of many friends follow them.

Bob Johnsey was here Monday afternoon enroute from Campbell to Westminster, in Collin county. He suffered a stroke of paralysis three weeks ago and can only get about with assistance.—Sunday's Greenville Herald.

J. F. Barnes and Worth Reeder, both of Vineland, left Monday on a western trip. The former goes to Roswell, Portals and Hope N. M. The latter's destination is New Whatcom, Washington.

Geo. Paysinger, who lives seven miles west of McKinney on the farm of Mrs J. P. Dowell brought to town Tuesday a wagon load of finest large white head cabbage which he cut from his garden. He disposed of them to the grocery merchants.

WHAT IS NEEDED.

Anent the various propositions looking to the commercial advancement of McKinney and Collin county it is well to strive for a union of sentiment among our people. Among all classes we find the extremes. To counteract or to entirely obliterate their hurtful influence is no small problem. The pessimist who continually frowns and growls because the public fails to unanimously endorse his own selfish ideas is to be dreaded.

Likewise the Bigot who goes about with a chip on his shoulder taunting eternally the defeated who honestly differed with him on some public issue.

Just why these malcontents of society delight to stand on street corners and with ghoulish glee attempt to frustrate the efforts of better men to build up and advance the community's interest, is hard to answer.

We see men with crocodile tears trickling down the furrowed cheeks of deceit crying loud and lustily for others to "put up or shut up" and "move out of the community. Such a spirit is not calculated to enlist stock taking in any enterprise.

In war the volunteers are more desirable than the conscripts. In fighting the battles of peace volunteers make the best, truest and most patriotic soldiers.

"Peace has her victories
No less renowned than war."

There is no excuse for men to discourage enterprises like the building of railroads, cotton factories, colleges, etc. Especially those who have been the recipient of wealth poured into their lap by the steady growth of our town and county—the result of rising values. Don't stand back because the method is not exactly according to your ideas.

"'I must do as you do?'"—your way I own,
Is a very good way; and still,
There are some times two straight roads to a town—
One over, one under the hill."

We are all aiming at one thing—success.

"Your path is the right one and so is mine,
We are not like peas in a pod,
Compelled to lie in a certain line,
Or else be scattered abroad."

As has been said often, McKinney is nestled in the most favorable spot on earth. Collin county wears the richest robe of nature' generous gifts. If investments in railroads, cotton mills, and colleges pay in any section of our country, they cannot be otherwise when made here in a town so richly surrounded.

A few men of means in our city have recently been active—contributing their time and money in the interest of McKinney. All honor to them. If those who profess to be interested in the city's welfare, who are blessed with wealth, refuse to rally to the call of these gentlemen, if failure result, the blame must lie where it belongs.

Adverse criticism of those who are making efforts to secure railroads, cotton factories and colleges will be resented by this paper, and we believe by the public.

It is said that the Lord helps those who help themselves. When proper efforts are made at home, if desired, outside capital will be forthcoming.

HOT SOUP FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Fort Worth public schools have a scientific cooking department in which the ladies of the city take particular pride. The promoters of the same now have a movement on foot to furnish hot soup to the children during the half hour at noon for 5 cents. Many will not have to go home to dinner if this is done, and from a health point of view it is argued as the best for the children, rather than to eat cold lunches.—Sherman Democrat.

GAY ENGLISH EDITOR

The little American child has now, it is reported, a new value table to learn in school. It runs: Ten mills make a trust; ten trusts make a combine; ten combines make a merger; ten mergers make a magnate; one magnate makes the money.—Kent County (England) Weekly Messenger.

E. W. Grove

This signature is on every box of the genuine Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets the remedy that cures a cold in one day

Bray Brothers' - Good Bye Sale

Still it rains, but the rain and mud doesn't stop the crowds from coming to the - - - - -

GOOD-BYE SALE.

Such bargains as they find in our store now make them come through all kinds of weather. We are here for only a few more days and our stock must be sold

Regardless of First Cost.

With low prices combined with good goods we will sell our entire stock by Jan. 1st. We only quote a few prices to give you an idea how cheap they are: - - - - - - -

Best Calico - - -	3c	Best Outing Flannel	8⅓c
Good yd wide brown domestic	4c	Good heavy cotton flannel	5c
" " bleach "	4c	The Best " "	7½c
A good Blanket - -	40c	A good Comfort -	50c
Good hosiery in ladies', men's or children's - - -			7½c

You will find our shoe department complete. Keep your feet dry and save a doctor bill. Men's and Ladies Shoes from 85c up.

BRAY BROS. Dry Goods Co.

THE SALE OF DRUGS

A startling story comes from New York to the effect that there are more than 1,000,000 morphine fiends in the United States and that one person in every hundred is addicted to the use of drugs. The figures were computed by the Inter-denominational Committee for the Suppression of Drug Addiction. Even assuming that the figures are excessive, it is nevertheless a fact that there is altogether too much of the drug habit all over the country. In Texas the laws governing the drug trade if indeed there are any laws, are practically dead letters, as they are not enforced. It is not in the least difficult for any and all kinds of drugs to be purchased at Texas drug stores if one but have the price. Elsewhere most stringent regulations for the sale of certain drugs are imposed, and it would seem the part of wisdom for the legislature to investigate the needs of Texas in this direction. The Texas druggist is in no way responsible for the lack of restrictions in the sale of injurious drugs. If an individual should refuse to sell a drug there is nothing in the custom which obtains to prevent its purchase from a competitor. That certain drugs are used to the great injury of the purchasers is lamentably true, and no doubt the great majority of the men who sell them would be glad to aid in the suppression of the trade so far as may be in their power.—Galveston Tribune.

One Fare Plus Two Dollars.

For the holidays via the "Katy."

If you are contemplating making a Christmas holiday visit, it will pay you to see what the "katy" has to offer.

On December 13th—17th—21st—22nd—23rd and 25th, the M. K. & T. Railway will sell round trip tickets to any point in the Old States and to Arkansas; Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Nebraska, North and South Dakota, and Wisconsin at one fare plus $2 for the round trip.

It is needless to say that for quick service and comfort the "Katy Way" cannot be equaled.

For full information regarding rates, and schedules, address a letter to "Katy" Dallas, Texas.

AT THE COURT.

The Commissioners Court is still in session.

W. H. Osborne was re-elected manager of the county farm for another year, and W. M. Burgess was re-elected superintendent.

The resignation of John M. Howard as Constable Precinct No 6 was accepted and J. L. Farmer appointed to fill the vacancy.

Mr. Farmer who was to have been here Monday and presented his bond to the court, phoned over to Judge Wilcox that the bridges were washed away, and he would get here as early as possible.

GABE HALL CASE.

The Gabe Hall case, which was transferred to Grayson county by change of venue, and was set for Nov. 26th., is likely not to be tried on that date as it will be impossible for the papers in the District Clerk's office to be ready. Mr. Cox has been working day and night almost to have them in shape, but only has the work about one fourth completed. It will require over 400 pages of manuscript to complete the transfer.

WAS RE-ARRESTED.

Sheriff Tom Beverly came in on the 1:03 train Sunday afternoon, having in custody Mannie Mayfield whom he arrested at Rockwall. Mayfield was arrested some time ago on a charge of horse theft, and was released on bond. The grand jury returned a bill against him, when his bond was forfeited.

The Commissioners Court day passed an order to the effect that all parties convicted of crimes in the Justice Courts of the county, and sentenced to the county road, must be brought to McKinney, placed in jail and distributed to the road gangs from here.

BOND APPROVED.

The bond of J. L. Farmer, Constable Precinct No. 6, who was appointed to fill vacancy caused by resignation of J. M. Howard, was approved.

BRIDGE WASHED AWAY.

J. H. Curry was in town and reports the new iron bridge which was constructed this year across Honey Creek, nine miles North-east of town on the road to Celina, to be washed away. He discovered one section of the bridge floating down the stream Tuesday and succeeded in lodging it.

Program Thanksgiving Services

Following is the program of the union Thanksgiving services to be held at the Cumberland Presbyterian church Thanksgiving day at 10:30 a. m.

Organ Voluntary.
Doxology—Congregation.
Invocation—Rev. R. E. Chandler.
America—Congregation.
The Proclamation—Rev. R. R. Hamlin.
Hymn—Congregation.
Scripture Lesson and Prayer—Dr. E. E. King.
Music—Selected.
Sermon—Rev. S. L. Rieves.
Offertory—Mr. Wakely and Mrs. Chandler, violin.
Remarks by several.
Prayer.
Benediction.

Eight Horses to Wagon

Fred Wilson who came in from Weston Monday after a load of groceries for the merchants there, left late last evening with eight horses attached to his wagon, and load weighing 3900 pounds.

Back to Stay

Judge Terrell, who has just returned from a prospecting trip to Amarillo, says that McKinney is hard to beat and he is here to stay.

Capt. Bush Able to Walk

In a letter to J. L. Franklin, Capt. W. N. Bush of Allan states that he is able to walk about the house on crutches and is feeling well.

John K. Wilson, of the firm of Wilson Bros., at Princeton, was in the city Tuesday after a supply of boots. The present long, rainy spell has created a great demand for rubber boots. His firm exhausted their supply and he came to McKinney after a new stock.

The Humorous Side

LAWYER AND JAIL ROBBER—T following is the professional ca of a West Virginia lawyer who portrait showing a typical Afri face adorns the reverse of t card:

Compliments of.....
JAMES KNOX SMITH,
LAWYER AND JAIL ROBBER.
Practice in all the Courts of Vi ginia and West Virginia.
Keystone, McDowell County We Virginia.

I delight in defending the po and those whom I believe to innocent when my fees are secu ed. My motto is, Quick Colle tions Upon all Claims and Prom Remittance Made in Cold Bloo The Bible says to prove all thin and hold fast to that which good. Therefore, Brethren, se me early as your counsellor, f know yee that even the righteo cannot be saved without an adv cate.—Case and Comment.

Cemetery Association Bazaar.

Every lady interested in t bazaar to be given by the lad of the Cemetery Association earnestly solicited to make so donation for same. Owing to t inclement weather the ladies ha been unable to see all.

Bazaar to be held Dec. 4t Send donation to Mrs, Fr Emerson's residence.

Dr. Gunn's Antiseptic

Mate Barnett is still agent f Dr. Gunn's Antiseptic, the gre blood purifier and electric ner tonic It is recommended f many things and every bot guaranteed to give entire sat section. Many good results ha already been shown up. 2d

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Guttering and repairing done Also manufacturers one of the best Washers on the mar ket for $1.00

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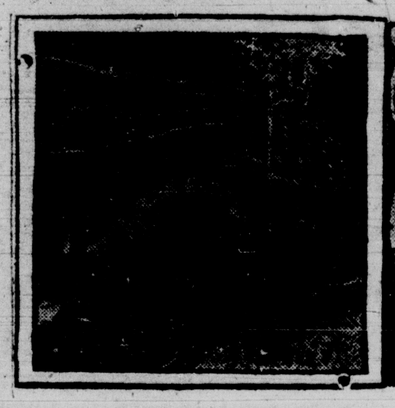

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BIGGER THAN GOLIATH

Lamar County Man's Recollection of a Giant.

WEIGHED OVER 900 POUNDS.

Foundling Near Lexington, Tenn. Huge Amount Lumber in Coffin.

Paris, Tex., Nov. 21.—W. A. Nobles, a resident of this city, formerly of Deport, call the attention of The News correspondent this morning to an article on "Giants" which apeared in the Cumberland Presbyterian, published at Nashville, Tenn., Nov 6. In enumerating a list of notably large men from Goliath down the Cumberland Presbyterian devotes a few lines of space to one Miles Darden, who lived at Lexington, Tenn. It gave his weight at 1,000 pounds.

Mr. Nobles was born and raised near Lexington, Tenn., and was well acquainted with Miles Darden. He says that his name was Miles Darden, and that while his weight was in the neighborhood of 1,000 pounds, nobody ever knew his actual weight. Nobody ever knew anything about his parentage and the secret of his birth was unknown to the giant himself up to the hour of his death. Darden was a foundling. An old negro woman discovered him when he was only a few days old and nearly naked at an old mill. When she discovered him he began to cry, and in a soothing, coaxing way to quiet him the old negress exclaimed, "Dar den" (there then), and from that exclamation he was ever afterward known as Darden, while the given name of Mills (not Miles, as incorrectly published in the Cumberland Presbyterian) was derived from the circumstances of his having been found near the old mills.

Mr. Nobles says that Darden was so sensitive about his size and was so averse to newspaper notoriety that he could never be induced to be weighed. He was too large ever to ride horseback or in an ordinary vehicle, and after he grew up he always rode in an ox cart with springs to it. One day while he was in his cart some persons who had a curiosity to know how much he weighed, and who had tried in vain to get him to consent to be weighed, slyly measured the springs under the cart to see how far his weight would mash them down. A day or two afterward they surreptitiously carried the cart to a blacksmith shop, and after putting a stick under the bed, which reached up as far as he had weighted the springs down, they loaded the cart with scrap iron until the springs were mashod down far enough to touch the sticks. Then they weighed the load of iron and it was found to weigh something over 900 pounds, which was believed to have been approximately Darden's weight, This is the nearest that anybody ever succeeded in getting at his weight.

Mr. Nobles says that when Darden died it required 500 feet of lumber to make his coffin. Every foot of the lumber was not actually used in the coffin, some of it being waste, but it was cut out in the old-fashioned way, with a bent lid, and that much lumber was required to pattern it. The giant was 7 feet 7 inches in height He was the father of a number of children, and not a single one of the sons was under 7 feet tall. Mills Darden died in 1857. In the latter part of his life he rapidly took on flesh and finally choked to death. Mr. Nobles says that the man who helped to make his coffin told him that he measured eighteen inches across the face. He usually wore a big, white, old-fashioned beaver hat, which looked as large as a beegum.

Mr. Nobles went to school with some of Darden's children, and says that his oldest son was in the Federal army and was captured by Forrest's cavalry. One of his daughters, Mrs. Wadley, a widow, moved to Lamar County several years ago and lived in the Deport community. After staying there a number of years she moved back to Tennessee.

GIRLS' INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

Cornerstone Laying Indefinitely Postponed

Denton, Tex., Nov. 26.—The laying of the cornerstone for the Girls' Industrial School, which was to have been next Saturday, has been postponed indefinitely on account of the rains over the State making it impossible to get the stone and the supporting pillars out on time and a letter received today by Regent John A. Hann of this city from Chairman Wooldridge of Austin, states the ceremony will probably not come off before Jan. 1, 1903.

Hon. Rosser Thomas of Bonham, one of the regents, was down this week to inspect the progress of the work.

REV. DR. LAWLIS DEAD

Founder of Westminster College Expires at Tehuacana

Tehuacana, Tex., Nov. 26—Rev. J. L. Lawlis, the founder of Westminster College and principal of the theological department of that college, now located at Tehuacana, died Monday night of typhoid fever. Dr. Lawlis was the foremost man in the Methodist Protestant Church in Texas. He resided in Collin County for eight years before coming here.

CLEVELAND TO PRESIDE

Ex-President Will Address Colored Training School Meeting

Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 26.—Former President Grover Cleveland has accepted an invitation to preside at a public meeting to be held here on Dec. 11 in the interests of the Berean Manual Training and Industrial School for Colored People. Mr. Cleveland will make an address. Among the other speakers will be former Postmaster General Charles Emory Smith, Col. A. K. McClure and Booker T. Washington.

SPOTTED DEER KILLED

Paris Doctor Brings Down Fine Specimen in Choctaw Nation

Paris, Tex., Nov. 26.—While Dr. J. H. Miller was hunting, seven miles east of his Jacks Fork ranch in the Choctaw Nation, last week, he killed a spotted deer. All four of its feet were white and its tail black. Its body was red and white spotted. It is the first spotted deer ever known to have been killed in the Territory.

Dr. Miller says that he cut open its intestines and stomach in search of the traditional madstone said to be always found in a white or spotted deer, but he failed to find it. The deer's hide is on exhibition in this city.

Rev. Kimbrough Some Better

R. C. Kimbrough who returned a few days ago from Barstow, in the Pecos valley, where he was summoned on account of the serious illness of his father, received a telegram last evening stating that he was some better, though still in a critical condition.

Neely-Terrell

Prof. Harry D. Neely and Miss Myrtle May Terrell, sister of our fellow townsman, Judge W. S. Terrell, were married at the home of the bride's father Dr. J. C. Terrell in Durant I. T. Sunday evening, Dr. A. P. Terrell of Dallas officiating. The groom is superintendent of the Presbyterian college at Durant.

Ab Aiken was the patientest, most uncomplainin' man
That ever lived, I cal'late, sence the human race began.
He had a way of reasonin' that made the toughest luck
As pleasin' to his notion as a puddle to a duck.
No matter what might happen, he c'd make it out to be
About the richest blessin' anybody ever see.
So ev'ry time the sun came up it seemed to him to say:
"Good mornin', Ab! I've brung another glad Thanksgivin' day."

While other folks were swearin' at the mud the rain had made
Ab Aiken called attention to the dust that it had laid,
An' when the dust was blowin' till it riled their very blood
He told 'em he was thankful that the sun had dried the mud.
Whichever way the weather turned 'twas jest what he was wishin'—
The flood filled up the cistern, an' the drought improved the fishin'.
So, wet or dry, Ab al'ays went his calm, contented way,
An' seven times a week he had a real Thanksgivin' day.

I mind the time he broke his thumb above the middle j'int—
He 'lowed it was a blessin' that it broke at jest that p'int.
An' when it healed as crooked as ole Brindle's crumpled horn
He said that now it made a handy hook fer shuckin' corn.
You might as well have tried to stop the earth from rollin' round
As try to down his spirits, fer he wouldn't have 'em downed.
No matter what misfortune came, he al'ays made it pay
An' turned the sad occasion into glad Thanksgivin' day.

At last a sickness kep' him in his bed fer 'most a year,
But not a mutter of complaint did anybody hear.
Indeed, from what he said you'd think he actually chose
To spend his time in bed an' save the wear an' tear o' clo'es.
Then when the doctor fin'ly said the end was drawin' nigh
There came a beam of happiness in Abner's dimmin' eye
Which seemed to them who saw it as if he would like to say
That dyin' was the climax of a glad Thanksgivin' day.

I dreamed a dream the other night in which I seemed to see
The soul of Abner Aiken lookin' calmly up at me,
An' I heard the voice of Satan in a long continued wail
As he beat his breast in anger an' in fury switched his tail.
Then I woke an' lay a-wonderin' if it possibly was so—
That Ab had taken his abode in regions down below,
An' robbed the devil of his power by findin' out a way
To turn the night of sheol into glad Thanksgivin' day.

Henrietta suggested that they telegraph to the city for an extension fire ladder and have it sent out on the next train. At this juncture Mr. Newtes emerged leisurely from the house with every pocket bulging suspiciously.

"Well, I'll be hanged if it ain't me friend Inky up there playin' goddess of liberty!" he exclaimed, taking in the

HIS HEAD REACHED THE LEVEL OF THE PLATFORM.

situtaed at a glance. "Hold your base, kid," he shouted. "I'll bring you down in a jiffy."

Off went Mr. Newtes' shabby coat, and out of the pockets strewed a fine collection of silver forks and spoons A still habbier vest fowllowed, and it gave up Sundry rings, pins and watches. Running to the foot of the tower, he kicked off his shoes, grasped one of the iron supports and began to climb upward with surprising agility. As he neared the top his strength began to fail and his hands left red stains upon the white paint.

After what seemed an eternity his head reached the level of the platform. There was a quick word of command, and Inky instantly mounted upon the broad shoulders of his deliverer. Then the descent began, slowly at first and then with rapidly increasing velocity. Ten feet from the ground the man's grasp relaxed and he fell heavily.

Into his mother's arms Inky was gathered unscathed. Mr. Newtes was considerably stunned, but quickly regained his feet and ruefully regarded his bleeding palms, which the frosty iron had divested of all cuticle.

"Mr. Newtes, your heroic act has earned a mother's undying gratitude," began Mrs. Allen.

"And if money can repay such a deed," said Mr. Allen, "name the sum. Perhaps in your mission work"—

"Oh, stow all that!" was the startling reply. "I'm not Newtes and I'm no missionary. I'm Hobo Hurst, and was only goin' to ask for a bite when you dragged me in to the table. I had just about cleaned out your place, but seein' Inky spoiled that game. You see, I showed him how to turn a flip-flop once, and all last winter he would make me a handout whenever I whistled in the alley. I don't go back on a friend like that. I'll put this stuff where it belongs now and clear out."

"I hope," said Mrs. Allen, rising to the occasion, "that you will not leave until you have finished your dinner."

"We have so much to be thankful for now," supplemented Mr. Allen, "that I think we had better begin all over again. Ingram, will you take your friend upstairs and get him some witch hazel for his hands?"

"Lud a-mercy!" mused Miss Files as she hurriedly warmed up the remains of her elaborate Thanksgiving dinner. "I've a mind to give that poor fellow my two second joints I've been saving. He's been powerful good to Master Ingram."

The Tale of the Turkey

By BESSIE L. PUTNAM

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"No citizen of the United States of America should abstain from turkey on Thanksgiving day."

While the authorship of the above quotation has been questioned, some even attributing it to Washington, it is now generally conceded to have emanated from the lips of Alexander Hamilton. It appears that at a banquet given by a number of congressmen on the first national celebration of Thanksgiving in 1789—and, by the way, we are indebted to the fertile brain of Hamilton for the setting aside of this day as a national holiday—the turkey was conspicuous for its absence. Clamor for our largest of game birds, which had served, or, rather, been served, so acceptably on all feast days since the first Thanksgiving of the pilgrims, was of no avail, and a motion to dispense with the fowl was finally made simply because there seemed no alternative. But this was hooted down, Hamilton joining the opposition with the emphatic sentiment above noted.

Since it is strictly an American bird, the name seems a misnomer, probably originating with its first introduction into Europe early in the sixteenth century, when by some means it was supposed to have come from the Ottoman empire.

The Mammoth Bronze, the largest and most popular domesticated variety, is a descendant of the Mexican turkey, indigenous in the Mexican tablelands, found also in New Mexico and Arizona. The prevalent notion that it is crossed with the wild turkey of the eastern slope is denied by the managers of the Smithsonian institution, who in exhibiting a fine stuffed specimen of the latter at the Pan-American stated that "it is not a progenitor of the domestic turkey."

That the wild nature, like that of the Indian, is never wholly eradicated is most apparent at nesting time. Then the most stupid in appearance of all the denizens of the poultry yard becomes suddenly the most wary and cunning. Unlike the bustling hen, which never lays an egg without proclaiming the fact to the entire neighborhood, Mistress Turkey quietly slips away from the rest of the flock, feeding as she goes, thereby detracting attention from her real purpose. If unmolested, she proceeds by a more or less circuitous route, carefully placing dead leaves or bits of grass or straw over each treasure with her bill, so that unless one finds her on the nest or sees her enter it is almost impossible to discover her secret. Any indication of surveillance increases her secretiveness, and the strategy sometimes adopted to thwart her pursuer is surprising in the extreme.

Hunting the turkey's nest usually falls to the lot of an adult, children being, as a rule, not shrewd enough to follow the slender clew to the end. Patience for hours—yea, ofttimes days—is required. One must expect to be led on many detours, perchance to see the hen settle down in a nook quite remote from the nest, hoping thereby to elude her pursuer. If unsuccessful in this ruse, she may even return home, thinking to slip away later unnoticed. The following incident illustrates, perhaps in an extreme degree, her tactics:

A hen had been followed daily for several days, but without success. The grown up boy of the family was quite inclined to make sport of the repeated failures and finally volunteered his services. He watched the hen start along the roadside bordering a triangular wood lot—the route she invariably took. From behind the rail fence he noted her progress, picking here and there, wending her way slowly, yet evidently alert to the presence of any intruder. Sometimes she appeared suspicious, but would again resume her way in an unconcerned manner. When the apex of the triangle was reached, she as deliberately, after a little maneuvering, worked her way up the adjacent side. Meantime the lad slipped through the low bushes along the third side of the triangle that he might better watch her movements. The gobbler, which had paraded back and forth in the same field through the entire morning, was now unusually profuse with his "gobbles." As the hen reached a point opposite her mate turkey talk was redoubled for a few minutes. Then he resumed his former occupation of strutting and gobbling, and she wended her way along unconcernedly. As she reached the spot opposite where the spy was concealed she veered directly from her path, walked up to the fence and peeped through at her pursuer, as much as to say, "I knew all about you before I looked." Then she marched home in the most stately manner, leaving the young detective to follow, somewhat crestfallen. Not until the period of incubation was well advanced was her retreat discovered under a spruce in the dooryard, the low growing branches effectually concealing her from view. The morning trips along the roadside were simply a decoy!

If molested while sitting, the turkey protests in a series of hisses, emphasizing these, if opportunity is given without quitting the nest, by savage strokes from her bill. She never cackles, the loudest cry of danger being a series of "quits."

During the first few weeks her young are extremely sensitive to cold and rain. Later they become as hardy as chicks. Some prefer a hen mother, as less liable to ramble, but the turkey better understands the needs of her

MAMMOTH BRONZE TURKEY.

little ones. Instead of bustling about and tiring them out, she moves slowly and rests often, though sometimes leading them a long way from home. If she fails to return at night, search usually reveals her with a neighboring flock.

And this mixing of flocks, by the way, is more productive of neighborhood quarrels than any other feature of farm life. Where both parties are honest it is often managed by marking with leg bands of stout cloth, each family adhering to its own material. But some individuals will insist upon having their number, irrespective of the toll paid to hawk and mink, and when dealing with these—well, it is easy for cloth leg bands to get slipped off. The best preventive is liberal feeding morning and evening, to induce a love for home.

Again, a flock of forty or fifty stray turkeys becomes a real menace to the farmer. While they are an effective check to the grasshopper plague, they are also able to tear down and consume a considerable quantity of grain in a short time. Cabbage is a favorite food, and a garden under their jurisdiction is soon demolished.

In autumn, when the young gobblers have nearly reached the size of adults, they practice a curious custom of mutual annoyance. One will persistently follow another, its bill thrust nearly or quite in the face of the latter, while it utters a most tantalizing "Keow, keow!" This usually terminates in a sharp tussle with beaks, repeated many times during the day. While the members of the flock are usually so nearly mated that no serious results ensue, the persistency with which the process is repeated from day to day becomes quite as annoying as monotonous to the owner.

The mature gobbler is truly a handsome bird, his wattled head glowing red in health, but quickly paling in disease. If angered, the red changes to livid blue, and the child who amuses himself by mocking the bird may receive a good, hard pounding from its wings. The plumage is beautifully bronzed in sunshine, the tail feathers being margined with bands of nearly white. The tail may be erected at pleasure and the wings spread until they touch the ground as it struts back and forth, proud as a peacock, resembling a "covered buggy," as one little maid quaintly described it.

As we feast upon the tender flesh it is pleasant to remember that in many instances the "turkey money" is the chief source of income to the hard-working farmer's wife, and after it has paid the taxes and supplied the necessary winter clothing there may still be a bonus for a new carpet or other wished for luxury. Long live the turkey! Long live the relish of the epicure!

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The turnip crop is immense.

McKinney must have a College.

Southern cotton factories are popular sources of investment.

Texas wheat fields were never more luxuriant at this season.

The St. Louis World's Fair management will cut out the "Midway" feature.

Dallas bicyclists riding after night without lanterns are being arrested.

Congress will likely fortify by elevating a Cannon to its speakership.

The Texas Presbyterian University is worthy any effort to secure.

A cotton factory and the big University are both probabilities for McKinney.

The value of good roads is demonstrated during these long wet spells. Collin has well graded highways as a rule, but they can't be too well improved.

Collin county leads the world in agricultural productions. Why not farmers join with McKinney business men in establishing a cotton factory to make clothes for her people to wear as well as produce the food they eat?

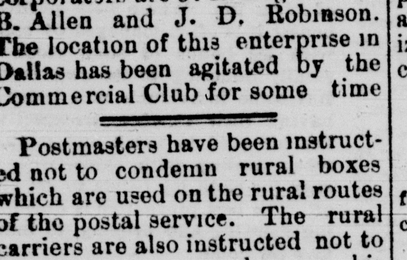
Luxuries so soon become necessities; necessities are things we must have. The Dallas News, realizing this, and in consideration of the stringent times has reduced its price from $1.00 to 75c per month.

Ft Worth public schools have a scientific cooking department. This is in consonacne with the tendency of the times. Girl graduates who can cook are needed. Likewise, more of our boys should be graduated for the farm or some of the industrial trades, instead of the already overcrowded professions.

Articles of incorporation of the Russell Piano Manufacturing Company of Dallas were filed at Austin yesterday. The capital stock is given as $50,000. The incorporators are J. R. England, R. B. Allen and J. D. Robinson. The location of this enterprise in Dallas has been agitated by the Commercial Club for some time

Postmasters have been instructed not to condemn rural boxes which are used on the rural routes of the postal service. The rural carriers are also instructed not to decline to serve any box on his route. If in the opinion of the postmaster the boxes do not comply with the requirements of the department, he is to make a report to the Assistant Postmaster General and the complaint will be taken up in due time by a route inspector or special agent of rural free delivery.

Mrs. E. M. Vogels of Galveston and daughter Mrs. W. C. Williams of San Antonio were robbed at Beaumont Tuesday night, by a negro who was conducting them to a hotel. Mrs Williams was knocked senseless and relieved of a purse containing $100 and a diamond set locket. There is said to be a strange fatality attending this family about that particular locality, as Miss Lola Vogels, who was found dead at the Oaks' hotel, near this same spot, Aug. 25th and whose death still remains a mystery, was also a daughter of Mrs. Vogels.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Itching Skin

Distress by day and night—

That's the complaint of those who are so unfortunate as to be afflicted with Eczema or Salt Rheum—and outward applications do not cure. They can't.

The source of the trouble is in the blood—make that pure and this scaling, burning, itching skin disease will disappear.

"I was taken with an itching on my arms which proved very disagreeable. I concluded it was salt rheum and bought a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla. In two days after I began taking it I felt better and it was not long before I was cured. Have never had any skin disease since." Mrs. Ida E. Ward, Cove Point, Md.

Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pills

rid the blood of all impurities and cure all eruptions.

GAINESVILLE'S TROUBLES.

Gainesville has five good public schools, a conservatory of music and a business college, but there are opposing forces that counteract.—Gainesville Signal.

The Best Remedy for Croup

(Atchison, Kan., Daily Globe.)

This is the season when the woman who knows the best remedies for croup is in demand in every neighborhood. One of the most terrible things in the world is to be awakened in the middle of the night by a whoop from one of the children. The croup remedies are almost as sure to be lost, in case of croup, as a revolver is sure to be lost in case of burglars. There used to be an old fashioned remedy for croup, known as hive syrup and tolu, but some modern mothers say that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is better, and does not cost so much. It causes the patient to "throw up the phlegm" quicker, and gives relief in a shorter time. Give this remedy as soon as the croupy cough appears and it will prevent the attack. It never fails and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by City Drug Store.

The Local Paper

Speaking of what a newspaper does for a community, United States Senator Davis, of Illinois, made an address that remains ever green in the memories of newspaper men. He said: "Every local paper gives from $500 to $6,000 in free lines for the benefit of the community in which it is located. No other agency can or will do this. The editor in proportion to his means, does more for his town than any other man, and in all fairness, man with man, he ought to be supported—not because you happen to like him or admire his writings but because a local paper is the best investment a community can make. Today editors of local papers do more for less pay than any other men on earth. Patronize your home paper, not as a charity, but as an investment."

How's This.?

We offer one hundred dollars reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure,

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Props.

Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J, Cheney for the last ten years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by the firm.

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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surface of the system. Price 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

The Southern Pacific railroad has contributed $10,000 and the Santa Fe $5,000 to the World's Fair fund.

Last Conference Held.

The last quarterly conference of McKinney Station M. E. Church South, for this conference year was held Thursday, Presiding Elder F. A. Rosser in the chair.

The following were elected on the Board of Stewards for another year: W. T. Beverly, Joe B. Rogers, J. H. Ferguson, John R. Brown, J. L. Todd, A. G. Chandler, J. Frank Smith, John A. Rogers, George P. Brown, Scott Allison, W. M. Erwin, C. P. Heard.

J. L. Doggett was reelected Sunday school superintendent.

The North Texas Annual conference convenes in Terrell next Wednesday Nov. 26th, with Bishop E. R. Hendrix presiding, Dr. McLean will leave Tuesday morning for Terrell as he is a member of several of the conference committees.

Seven Gems

Recently a London magazine sent out 1,000 inquiries on the question. "What is home?" In selecting the classes to respond to the question it was particular to see that every one was represented. The poorest and the richest were given an equal opportunity to express their sentiments, Out of 800 replies received seven gems were selected, as follows:

1. Home—A world of strife shut out, a world of love shut in.

2. Home—The place where the small are great and the great are small,

3. Home—The father's kingdom, the mother's world and the child's paradise.

4. Home—The place where we grumble most and are treated the best.

5. Home—The center of our affections round which our heart's best wishes twine.

6. Home—The place where the stomachs get three square meals daily and our hearts a thousand.

7. Home—The only place on earth where the faults and failings of humanity are hidden under the sweet mantle of charity.

A child of Mrs Geo. T. Benson, when getting his usual Saturday night bath, stepped back against a hot stove which burned him severely. The child was in great agony and his mother could do nothing to pacify him. Remembering that she had a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm in the house, she thought she would try it. In less than half an hour after applying it the child was quiet and asleep, and in less than two weeks was well. Mrs. Benson is a well known resident of Kellar, Va. Pain Balm is an antiseptic liniment and especially valuable for burns, cuts, bruises and sprains. For sale by City Drug Store.

Turkeys for Employees.

For many years it has been the custom with the Wells, Fargo & Co's Express to remember their employees, all over the country, in a kind and substantial way an Thanksgiving, and this year the officials have not overlooked the men who make the freight move.

W. H. Sims, who has been the local agent here for many years, is in receipt of the following instructions from Superintendent G. A. Taft at Houston:

To Agents:

All exclusive employees will be presented by the Company with a turkey and can of oysters for their dinner on Thanksgiving day.

Obtain young turkeys and first-class oysters, and have each employe's portion delivered at least a day or two before Thanksgiving.

Please see that they are presented with the complimehts of Wells, Fargo & Company, and the best wishes of President Evans.

G. A. Taft, Supt.

J. A. Hyde, Asst Supt.

C. L. McKenzie, Asst Supt.

The turkey gift will go to every employe of the company in the United States and when it is stated that these men, messengers, wagon drivers, office men, etc., number the thousands, it can be seen that it is no small expense.

Mr. Sims is in the market for turkeys.

Want Ads

In the Dallas News pay ten fold. See the local agent for rates, etc. 12tf

Mrs. Fred Emerson, who returned Friday from the Federation meeting at Beaumont, reports a royal time and was entertained while there in the home of Mrs. Henry Keith.

Coughs

"My wife had a deep-seated cough for three years. I purchased two bottles of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, large size, and it cured her completely."

J. H. Burge, Macon, Col.

Probably you know of cough medicines that relieve little coughs, *all coughs, except deep ones!*

The medicine that has been curing the worst of deep coughs for sixty years is Ayer's Cherry Pectoral.

Three sizes: 25c., 50c., $1. All druggists.

Consult your doctor. If he says take it, then do as he says. If he tells you not to take it, then don't take it. He knows. Leave it with him. We are willing.

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Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

All the blood in your body passes through your kidneys once every three minutes.

The kidneys are your blood purifiers, they filter out the waste or impurities in the blood.

If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work.

Pains, aches and rheumatism come from excess of uric acid in the blood, due to neglected kidney trouble.

Kidney trouble causes quick or unsteady heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is over-working in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries.

It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's **Swamp-Root**, the great kidney remedy is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases and is sold on its merits by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail free, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

Home of Swamp-Root.

Change in County Officers.

R. Van Brown, the newly elected Tax Collector, received a message from Austin Saturday informing him that his bond had been approved.

The collector's office was closed and the work of checking up and turning over the books began. It will require several days to complete the work.

CHANGE IN CLERK'S OFFICE

The change in County Clerk's office took place Saturday at 12 o'clock.

W. M. Shirley, the newly elected clerk who has been sick at his home in Melissa, is able to be up but owing to the unfavorable condition of the weather did not come to McKinney today, but sent his bond which was approved by the commissioners' court. The bond is for $10,000 and signed by A. L. Shirley, S. O. Scott, and M. H. Byrne.

Mr. Shirley has appointed deputies W. B. Walden, J. C. Saunders and A. P. Carter to take charge and conduct the affairs of the office until he is able to come down.

COMMISSIONERS.

The commissioners reconvened Saturday for the purpose of transacting the unfinished business of the court.

The bond of county commissioner W. N. Osborne was approved. Amount of bond $4000 sureties S. H. Parris, J. F. Gibson and J. H. Graves.

Guard your kidneys: the health of the body depends on those small but important organs. They extract uric acid from the blood which if allowed to remain in the system would cause dropsy and Bright's disease. Prickly Ash Bitters is a successful kidney tonic; it heals and strengthens the kidneys, regulates the liver, stimulates the stomache and digestion, cleanses the bowels. It will prevent or cure Bright's disease.

Military Regulations in Germany

As soon as a man is seventeen years old he cannot leave Germany without serving in the army. He can, however, get permission to leave the country until he is twenty years old, if somebody is willing to give a bond that he will return and serve his term. In case a man forfeits his bond he cannot return to his fatherland before he is forty-five years old, as he would be promptly arrested and sentenced to serve a longer term than the original one. After a man is forty-five years old he can go back to Germany without being punished, and live there as long as he likes.

Talking Machines

The new perfected Edison phonographs and the new moulded records, everything in the talking machine line.

David F. Sharbine, Agt.,
1m McKinney, Tex.

Stone Walk.

Capt. J. L. Greer has awarded the contract for a new stone walk to be put down in front of his beautiful new residence property on North Kentucky street.. The Provence Marble Co. will do the work.

Miss Mattie Bishop, rural route No. 2, McKinney, is a new subscriber on our list. We trust she will long continue as one of our regular readers.

BOOKS

Teach your children to make friends of good books. They will need fewer of the fair weather kind and there is no friend when you have the blues like a jolly book. We keep an elaborate line of Children's Books. If you want something to give the young people, nothing can be more useful and appropriate.

Abbott's Book and Jewelry Store.

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Capital and Surplus, - - $125,000.

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Stoves, Cutlery, Glass and Plated Ware, Lamps and Trimmings.

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Farming Implements, Carpenter tool

Pumbing a Specialty. Call and see u

Good Goods, Small Profits.

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McKinney, Texas.

Barber Trade Wanted.

Richardson & Lewis, tonsorial artists on the North side of the square, McKinney, cater to the country trade. Call and see them. They will treat you right. Shave 10c. Hair cuts and baths reasonable.

I have opened my shop th ond door north of Joe McKi When your watch or clock fixing bring or send it to me work guaranteed twelve m I mean that if I can't ma work do what I say it will, will pay your money back. 1md tfinw. R. J. Bens

LOCAL NEWS.

A. Crause made Plano a business trip Thursday.

Call and get pure Mediterranean seed wheat at T. L. McMullen's.

Mrs. Claude White returned from Denton Thursday morning

Pure Mediterranean seed wheat at T. L. McMullen's.

Eugene Campbell has returned from Wolfe City.

Pure Mediterranean seed wheat for sale at T. L. McMullen's.

Jim Jones has returned from a trip to Oklahoma.

Picture frames made while you wait at City Drug Store.

D. W. Powell, of Howe, was in the city on legal business Friday.

"White Billows" flour "rises" to explain its good qualities. d&w

G. H. Moore, of Plano, was in the city Friday on business.

Purses, bill books, pocket books etc. SMITH BROS. & Co.

Miss Bessie Keen is visiting friends in Dallas.

Better window glass now, all sizes at City Drug Store.

D. W. Jones went over to Farmersville Saturday.

Window glass all sizes, cut to fit. SMITH BROS. & Co.

Miss Wilhelmina Persohn returned to Denton Monday.

"White Billows" flour guaranteed to excel all others. d & w

Window glass, get all sizes, them now at City Drug Store.

Geo. McKinney returned from Melissa Saturday morning.

Stock foods and heave cure the best kinds at City Drug Store.

Money bags, pocket books and purses all kinds at City Drug Store.

Weedin Franklin has returned from a trip to West Texas and New Mexico.

Over stocked on wall papers. It must go. Bargains for everybody at City Drug Store.

Dr. G. A. Foote has returned from a visit to his mother at Rock Island.

"White Billows" flour, a sure cure for sad bread as well as sad faces. d & w

G. A. (Roddy) Stiff, who recently moved to Hill county, is in the city.

"White Billows" flour is made from selected wheat. Money refunded if not satisfactory. d & w

H. Z. Duke, of Bowie, is in the city looking after business interests of the Nickel Store here.

Don't wait for cold weather but buy your window glass today of Smith Bros. & Co.

Mrs. Polly left Friday for Greenville for a visit to relatives and friends.

Prescriptions filled by registered Pharmacists with pure fresh drugs at City Drug Store.

Mrs. Pat Moulden has returned from a visit to her parents at Allen.

Mrs. J. T. Nale has gone on a visit to relatives at Chickasha, I. T.

B. G. Donaldson, of Honey Grove, was in the city on business Saturday.

Mrs. Neathery, of Van Alstyne is in the the city visiting her daughter Mrs. John Stiff Jr.

Mrs. Charlie Frierson is here from Greenville visiting her brother James Waters and family.

Paschal Stacy has accepted a position at Largent Bros.' book and jewelry store.

IT MATTERS NOT

How Sick You Are or How Many Physicians Have Failed to Help You.

Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy will Cure You if a Cure is Possible.

Doctors are not infallible and there are many instances where they have decided a case was hopeless and then the patients astonished everyone by getting well and the sole cause of their cure was Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy. A case in point is that of James Lettuce of Canajoharie, N. Y., who writes:

"Some years ago I was attacked with pains in my back and side that were fearful in the extreme. I could not control my kidneys at all and what came from them was mucous and blood. I was in a terrible state and suffered intensely. A prominent physician of Albany, N. Y., decided that an operation was all that would save me. I dreaded that and commenced to take Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy. I felt better almost instantly. When I had taken about two bottles, the flow from the bladder was much cleaner, the pain stopped, and I was saved from the surgeon's knife and am now well."

Dr. W. H. Morse, the famous physician of Westfield, N. J., has this to say of this great medicine:

"I have known it to cure chronic inflammation of the kidneys, where the attending physician pronounced the case incurable."

No form of kidney, liver, bladder or blood disease, or the distressing sicknesses so common to women, can long withstand the great curative power of this famous specific. Its record of cures has made it famous in medical circles everywhere.

It is for sale by all druggists in the **New 50 Cent Size** and the regular $1.00 size bottles—less than a cent a dose.

Sample bottle—enough for trial, free by mail.
Dr. David Kennedy Corporation, Rondout, N. Y.

Dr. David Kennedy's Salt Rheum Cream cures Old Sores, Skin and Scrofulous Diseases. 50c.

Mrs. W. R. Frazier, of Lexington Ky., who has been visiting her aunt Mrs. R. N. Adams, left Thursday morning for her home.

Wanted—By Hill & Webb 15,000 to 20,000 No. 1 bois d' arc posts. Will pay highest market price.

Mrs. R. R. Parker has returned to her home in Dallas after a visit to her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Parker.

People are becoming more and more accustomed to going to C. A. Houston's for groceries that are fresh and cheap.

Mrs. C. R. Batte, of Mt Pleasant, returned home after a visit to her parents Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. O'Neal.

Take life easy by trading with C. A. Houston. He'll treat you right. Fresh groceries and low prices.

W. W. Crosson, of Princeton, renews for our weekly and subscribes for the Dallas News at our clubbing rates.

Rev. B. A. Dodson, of Bailey Tex., will keep abreast with old Collin news by reading our weekly for the next year.

Prickly Ash Bitters can be depended on to cure the kidneys, corrects the urine, strengthens the stomache and relieves backache.

Henry Foote and Misses Jessie Stiff and Hattie Horn left Friday morning for a few days visit to relatives in Shawnee O. K.

Alfalfa Seed

For first-class Alfalfa seed don't neglect to call on T. L. McMullen near the postoffice.

W. J. Wagoner and wife, of Lynchburg, Tenn., are guests of the latter's uncle, Alderman J. K P. Shrader and family. Mr. Wagoner will probably locate in this county.

Stops That Cough and Works Off Cold.

Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. Cure a cold in one day No cure, no pay. Price 25 cents

Oliver Mallow is seriously sick at his home a few miles north of McKinney. His son A. Mallow, superintendent of the T. & P. railroad yards at Dallas, came up Friday morning to attend his bedside, but was summoned back home that evening on account of illness in his family.

LAZINESS

is a disease which has its origin in a torpid liver and constipated bowels.

Prickly Ash Bitters

cures laziness by cleansing the liver, strengthening the digestion and regulating the bowels. It makes good blood, creates appetite, energy and cheerfulness.

PRICE, $1.00 PER BOTTLE.

AT DRUG STORES.

DEATH'S DOINGS.

Telegrams were received here last Tuesday conveying the sad intelligence of the sudden death of Mrs. John Clementson, from heart failure, at their home at Casa Blanca, Nueces county, which occurred at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Mrs. Clementson is a sister to Mrs. T. B. Wilson of this city, and her mother Mrs. E. J. Eastes resides with another daughter Mrs. H. M. McMahan, who lives at the old family home, five miles southwest of McKinney. Her father, George W. Eastes who died some ten years ago, was one of the best known citizens of the county.

Mrs. Clementson has another sister, Mrs. R. B. Zachery, living at Bedford, Tarrant county. Mr. Clementson is a brother to Mesdames J. E. Gibson and John Johnson of this city, and was for a number of years engaged in business here, being proprietor of a shoe store. He moved to Casa Blanca nine years ago for his health.

Mrs. Clementson was thirty nine years of age and had been married fourteen years. She leaves five children. The oldest little daughter Winnie, nine years of age, has been here since Oct. 1st, staying with her aunt Mrs. Gibson, and attending school.

Mrs. Clementson was a member of the Methodist church and had been since girlhood. Her remains were shipped Wednesday at eleven o'clock andarrived here Thursday afternoon. Owing to circumstances Mr. Clementson and his children did not come, but a Mr. Ben D. Walker accompanied the remains, which were met at the station by a large number of friends and relatives who followed them to Pecan Grove cemetery where the interment took place. Dr. John H. McLean conducting the services. McKinney friends deeply sympathize with the disconsolate husband who is left with five small children, one a little infant.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Stiff, wife of late Dave Stiff, died Wednesday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock, at her home on North Church Street.

She had been in delicate health for more than two years, and her life was despaired of ten days ago.

Mrs. Stiff, whose maiden name was Mitchell, was sixty-eight years of age. She was born in Mississippi, and came to Texas during the war with her uncle, Sam Mitchell, who located in Hill county. She was married soon afterward, and has lived in McKinney ever since.

Her husband was one of the early settlers of Collin county. He was a prominent government contractor during and after the war, furnishing supplies to the Indians at Forts Cobb, Sill, and Liberty, and was twice sent to the State Legislature. He was a brother to Harrison and Burl Stiff the former died eight years ago, and the latter three years ago. Jesse Shain's and Mrs. Sallie Howell's mother was their sister, and Capt Ed Stiff their uncle.

Mrs. Stiff's husband died nine years ago. Four children were born to them, two living, Mrs. J. W. Persohn and Mrs Neva Wood the latter resided with her mother. Two boys died in infancy. Mrs. Stiff was a member of the Baptist church.

The funeral took place next afternoon at 3 o'clock. The interment was made at Pecan Grove cemetery, Dr. E. E. King conducting services at the grave.

The Courier extends condolence to the relatives.

Virgil T. Millener, aged 19 years, died Tuesday at the home of M. Fraze, four miles south of town, from consumption.

His step-father, M. L. Pool, lives in Dallas.

The funeral took place Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at Allen cemetery.

The little two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Wright, of Van Alstyne, died Friday from a spider bite received last Saturday. The place decayed ten inches around the bite.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

Marriage Licenses

J. D. Nunn and Miss Minnie Rouse.

W. G. Eller and Miss——— Michael.

Fifty Years the Standard

Dr. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

Awarded
Highest Honors World's Fair.
Highest tests U.S. Gov't Chemists

OHIO MEN WILL INVEST

Quick Returns From the Recent Southern Pacific Excursion

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 24.—Officials of the Southern Pacific have received notice of the organization of an investment company by business men of Columbus and started with a fund of $500,000 for investment in Texas.

Recently the company took a party of 132 business men, representing seventy-five out of the eighty-eight counties in Ohio on a trip through Texas. Upon the return of the party to Columbus a meeting was held, an executive committee appointed and 100 men each put in $5,000 as a starter. Members of the committee are now on their way to Texas to invest the money.

Hope and Wisdom.

Both are contained in Cheatham's Laxative Chill Tablets. Try them. 25 cts. No cure—no pay.

A Correction

In publishing the election returns on the 12th inst. the table showed W. T. Carruth to have received 222 votes for justice of the peace precinct No. 4, when it should have read 322. We take pleasure in making this statement.

The Best Prescription For Malaria

Chills and Fever is a bottle of Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form—no cure no pay. Price 50c.

From Porto Rico

R. C. Knott has received a letter and several papers from his son Horace Knott who is serving in the United States army in Porto Rico. The papers were issued just after the elections the first of this month and resemble very much their great American contemporaries of the East in partisanship.

A HEALTH POLICY

The system is, from natural causes, debilitated or run-down both in the spring and fall. The seasons' changes are always a tax on the human organism. The blood becomes impure in the spring, and vitality lags in the fall. A little care, a little assistance, and nature will do the rest, as it is always trying to maintain health. Frequently the weakest organ will show the most disorder, and this often leads to wrong treatment.

For the debilitated conditions of spring or fall, or any other time, for that matter, the right thing to do is to build up the whole system. It is not your stomach, or liver, or nerves alone that cause the trouble; you are weakened all over and must have renewed strength and vitality. These you cannot get so quickly or surely or safely as by using

Dr. HARTER'S IRON TONIC

When you use Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic you are helping to renew the vigor of every fiber of your body. You are cleansing and enriching your blood; you are strengthening your stomach and increasing the digestive fluids; you are building up and renewing the activity of your kidneys and liver; and you are feeding and revitalizing your nervous system. You cannot do this without getting well, and you cannot take Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic without doing it.

CHICAGO, ILL., Nov. 26, 1901.

The Dr. Harter Medicine Co., Dayton, O.

GENTLEMEN:—I unhesitatingly recommend Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic, as I firmly believe it is the best tonic on the market to-day. Every spring and fall my system seems to be in need of a tonic, and for the past three years I have taken a bottle of your tonic twice a year. HON. JOHN J. FURLONG,
Representative to the Illinois Legislature.
1351 Osgood St., Chicago.

FOR SALE EVERYWHERE.

Bride From McKinney

James T. May, of the Red Front, and Miss Eva Howell, of McKinney, were married the past week at the home of the bride's parents, No. 717 West Woodard street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Little. Miss Ailene Ware of McKinney, supported the bride, while John McCarthy of the Red Front, was the groom's best man. After the ceremony a fine luncheon was served. The groom is a most excellent young man. He is a Denison boy who has passed his whole life here. He is at present holding a responsible position with the clothing house of Wooten & Hayes. There is no better material in Denison for a good husband than young May, and the fair bride may well be congratulated in securing him for a helpmate through life. The bride is a lovely young lady, domestic in her taste and a sweet and confiding girl who will do her share to make life's journey pleasant. The bride and groom have settled down to housekeeping without any of the frills of a honeymoon abroad.—Denison Gazetteer.

Everything Comes.

To those that wait, even now and then aches and pains, Rheumatism, Catarrh, Neuralgia, and everything that hurts. Hunt's Lightning Oil keeps off everything except old age and death. Try it. 25 and 50 cts. Satisfaction or money refunded.

Dr. Hunn Accident

While out hunting a short time ago, Dr. W. B. Hunn, who moved from McKinney to Shelby City Ky., a few months ago, happened to a serious accident. A large pistol accidentally fell from his pocket and was discharged, the ball entering his left leg between the ankle and knee, shattering the bone. The news of the accident was conveyed in a letter from Mrs. Hunn to Mrs. J. D. Armstrong of this city. Dr. Hunn's many friends here will be glad to know that he is recovering, though at one time blood poisoning was feared.

Tenderness or aching in the small of the back is a serious symptom. The kidneys are suffering. Take Prickly Ash Bitters at once. It is a reliable kidney remedy and system regulator and will cure the trouble before it developes its dangerous stage.

Mrs. W. T. Beverly and Mrs. Ben Boydstun returned Sunday from the Federation of Clubs at Beaumont. A few days were spent in Smithville and other places by these ladies in the interest of lodge work.

Don't Become Discouraged.

But use Simmons' Liver Purifier (tin box.) Many imitations of the original, so be careful and see that it's "Purifier" and manufactured by A. C. Simmons Jr, Medicine Co.

Mrs. Florence Bonner, of Decatur, who has been attending the State Federation of Women's Clubs at Beaumont, stopped off here on her return home Saturday afternoon and will visit her sister Mrs. Wms. Warden and Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Chandler.

Pretty Tough to Scratch.

For a living and relief also. Hunt's Cure will cure you of Itch, Tetter, Ringworm, Itching Piles, Eczema. Guaranteed by all dealers.

The devotees of Harmonie Hall will give a Thanksgiving ball. Committees have also been appointed to arrange for the Christmas ball.

You can't do better than to give your grocery trade to Cebe Houston. His stock represents goodness-from the staples which are needed by every family and which are sold at low prices to the fine things which cost according to quality.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure

Digests what you eat.

This preparation contains all of the digestants and digests all kinds of food. It gives instant relief and never fails to cure. It allows you to eat all the food you want. The most sensitive stomachs can take it. By its use many thousands of dyspeptics have been cured after everything else failed. Is unequalled for the stomach. Children with weak stomachs thrive on it. First dose relieves. A cure unnecessary.

Cures all stomach troubles

Prepared only by E. C. DEWITT & Co., Chicago
The $1. bottle contains 2½ times the 50c. size.
Sold by City Drug Store.

Teachers Institute met Saturday at the Central public school building. Considering the weather and fearful conditions of the roads, there is a splendid attendance, about twenty-five being present. The program which is a good one, is being carried out in an entertaining and instructive way. Collin county school teachers are up to the high mark, and are continually going higher.

Professional Cards.

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Excursion sleepers from Waco to San Francisco each Wednesday and Friday; Rate per berth in these sleepers, about one half of the rate in the standard sleeper.

For cheap rates to California, illustrated literature, reliable information and all particulars—write,

R. E. GEORGE,
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Waco, Texas.

Choice Kansas Corn.

Hill & Webb have a big stock on sale, of choice No. 2 Kansas shelled corn, free from smut. Red rust proof oates, choice prairie hay and corn chops, choice McAlister fancy screened lump coal, colorado coal, prices reasonable. They also will pay you cash and the highest market price for all the pecans you will bring them. They want 5 car loads of pecans by December 1st 1902.

Ware house and office near M. K. & T. depot. Phone 112.

HILL & WEBB

STAY - HERE - SALE!

IT'S OUR TIME NOW.

To sell goods at Actual Cost. Not that we are going to leave McKinney; not that we are going to form a new Stock Company, or change our place of business. In fact the reverse is true. We expect to do business at the same old stand during the year, 1903 at least, if not longer. Our reason for selling

AT COST IS TWOFOLD.

First. A large number of our customers have stayed with us regardless of the flaring advertisements of our competitors. We feel it would be unjust on our part not to make it possible for them to buy their fall goods as cheap from us as from any firm in McKinney.

Our second reason is that when our buyer was in the Eastern markets the cotton prospects were very flattering and he bought accordingly. You know the rest. We have too many goods and don't want to carry them over. So we have decided to offer our entire stock (nothing reserved) at

ACTUAL COST.

When we say actual cost we think our friends will understand that we mean what we say, in fact we shall offer our invoice book as proof of our statement.

Sale Begins Monday, Dec. 1st, 1902.

All our $15 00 Suits of Clothes at $10 00
" " 10 00 " " " " 7 50
" " 7 50 " " " " 5 50
" " 6 50 " " " " 4 50
" " 5 00 " " " " 3 50
" " 3 50 boys suits " 2 00
" " 2 00 " " " " 1 50
" " 1 50 " " " " 1 00
" " 10 00 Overcoats " 7 50
" " 9 00 " " 6 50
" " 7 50 " " 5 00
" " 6 00 " " 4 00
" " 5 00 " " 3 50
" " 3 00 " " 2 00
" " 2 50 " " 1 50
" " 1 50 Duck coats " 1 00
" " 1 00 men's hats " 75
" " 1 50 " " " 1 00
" " 2 00 " " " 1 40
" " 2 50 " " " 1 90
" " 4 00 Stetson hats " 2 40
2 only 1 50 trunks at.....1 00
Our $2 00 " ".....1 40
" 3 50 " ".....2 28
" 4 00 " ".....2 55
" 5 00 " ".....3 50
" 7 50 " ".....5 35
" 50c negligee shirts from 31 to 37½c
" 75c " " " 37½ to 50c
All our 1 00 " " 75
" " 1 00 suits of mens' ribbed underwear.....63
" our 25c telescopes.....19

" " 40 " 27
" " 50 " 34
" " 65 " 43
" " 75 " 51
" " 1 00 " 60
" " 1 25 iron wheel wagons.....81
" " 1 50 " " " 1 00
" " 1 75 " " " 1 15
" " 2 00 " " " 1 30
" " 1 50 boys' gum overcoats.....99
Our $1.25 Buckskin Breeches".... 88
" 1 50 " " 1 13
" 2 00 " " 1 50
" 2 50 " " 2 00
" 4 00 Ladies McIntoshes..... 2 43
" 25 Boys Caps..... 17
" 50 " " 34
" 65 Mens " 38
" 15 Matting at..... 10
" 20 " "..... 15
" 30 " "..... 22½
" 35 " "..... 23
All our $1 50 Mens Shoes at..... 1 05
" " 2 00 " " "..... 1 18
" " 2 50 " " "$1.55 to 2 00
" " 3 00 " " "..... 2 05
" " 3 50 " " "..... 2 58
" " 1 50 Ladies Shoes at..... 1 05
" " 1 75 " " "..... 1 33
" " 2 00 " " "..... 1 53
" " 3 00 " " "..... 2 30
One lot Blankets, per pair..... 40
All our 75c " " " 55

Our entire stock of Millinery; large assertment of Dress Goods, Dry Goods, Notions, School tablets. Ladies and Children's wraps. In fact everything in our stock goes at Actual cost.

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We beg to submit to the people of McKinney and Collin county a statement of the benefits that will come to our town and county by building and operating a cotton mill, the capital stock of which shall be $150,000.

Such a mill will use annually about 1,260,000 pounds or consume nearly 2600 bales of cotton each year, paying to our farmers therefor about $94,500 at present prices of cotton.

This cotton when manufactured will be worth and will bring to our town and county about $210,000.

The mill will give employment to about 100 people, giving them steady employment the whole year, paying out weekly in wages and other expenses, about $1290.

Knowing that cotton mills, making plain white sheeting and drilling are not the best paying it is our purpose to build and operate a mill for the manufacture of colored and plain cotton goods, such as denims, tickings, ginghams, towels, fancy shirtings etc.

It will be the policy of this mill, if organized, to employ h omelabor, believing there are enough capable people in our town and county to run several mills similar to the one now being organized, all that is necessary is for some one to educate them and they will make as good operators as any in the world.

The cost of this plant, 150 looms and all necessary equipment, machinery, building etc., ready for putting through cotton, will be about $133,000, and this plant, while not large, will be one of the most complete labor saving cotton mills in the United States.

While there are many cotton mills in our state, there is not a mill of this class in Texas, nor this side of St. Louis.

There is a great and ever growing demand for the class of goods to be made by this mill and stockholders can confidently rely upon 15 or 20 per cent upon the capital stock invested.

The committee has made thorough investigation regarding the cotton mill business, has also gone into minute details with Mr. A. F Parker, is fully advised and can confidently recommend this business as a good and safe investment.

While the establishment of this cotton factory will prove of great benefit to our town and county, still it is submitted herewith as a cold business proposition.

We submit for your careful consideration a few suggestive facts concerning the present condition of cotton mills in the South.

We have carefully investigated the natural advantages surrounding these mills, as to cost of fuel, labor, water supply, etc., and find that we can successfully compete with them. Theories and speculations will be carefully avoided, facts and figures will be allowed to tell the story and you can determine whether or not this is a safe and profitable investment.

It is only a question of time until the South will be recognized as the manufacturing center of the world for cotton goods and shall we who enjoy the distinction of living in the richest county in the world, with equal advantages for successfully competing in the manufacture of our own products longer delay to take advantage of what is justly ours?

NEW MILLS ORGANIZED IN THE SOUTH During the past year and to be organized at once:

Pelle City Alabama is now constructing a new mill of 21,600 spindles and 640 looms.

Pouland, Georgia, necessary stock for Pouland cotton mill raised.

Henrietta, N. C., new building completed for a cotton mill.

Spray, N. C., plans have been drawn for the erection of a cotton mill.

Anderson, S. C., new cotton mill organized capital stock $225,000.

Laurens, S. C., work has been started on a building for a new mill with a capital stock of $500,000.

Spartanburg, S. C., Drayton cotton mill under construction, equipment will include 12,440 spindles and 360 looms.

Spartanburg, S. C., contract let for machinery and equipment for the erection of a cotton mill of 12,000 spindles and 300 looms.

Whitmeirs, S. C., new mill erected this year.

Chicago capitalists propose to erect a $300,000 cotton mill at Davis, I. T.

Many more could be added to this list of new mills just constructed in the South.

Enlargements and improvements of cotton mills:

The looms in the Hawkinsville cotton mill will be increased and the plant greatly enlarged.

The Brookville mills will install 100 additional looms.

The Jefferson mills at Jefferson Ga., will add 3000 spindles.

The Troy, N. C., cotton mill is adding 100 new looms.

The Sanford mill of Sanford, N. C., adding 4050 new looms.

The Fayetteville, Tenn., cotton mill will double present capacity.

Spartanburg, S. C., Mary Louise cotton mill has added $30,000 to its capital stock.

Anderson, Ala., mill will double its present capacity.

Anderson, N. C., Anderson cotton mill will add 500 new looms and 18,000 spindles.

Clinton, S. C., Clinton cotton mill added 23,000 spindles and 400 loome; present capacity 17,452 spindles and 450 looms.

Greenville, S. C., American Spnning Company, increased capital stock, increase from $350,000 to $600,000, 36,000 spindles and 660 looms.

Union, S. C., Monarch cotton mills which recently increased their capital stock to $500,000, have again made application to increase the capital stock to $750,000.

Winnsboro, S. C., recently increased capacity from 350 to 500 looms.

As in the case of new mills this list of enlargements and improvements could be greatly increased.

Every mill that we have corresponded with in Texas is contemplating an increase in capacity.

There is another way to test the value of investments of this kind, that is by the market value of their stocks. This is a crucial test, by far the most unerring indication of the actual value of invested capital.

Below we give a list of recent stock quotations of Southern cotton mills. They tell their own story as to whether or not they are succeeding.

STOCK QUOTATIONS

Anderson cotton mills, $1.24 offered and refused, $1.30 asked.

Arkwright mills, $1.20 offered and refused, $1.25 asked.

Clifton Mfg. company, $1 80 offered and refused, $1.85 asked.

Chnton cotton mills, $1.22 offered and refused, $1.30 asked.

Courtney Mfg. company, $1.15 offered and refused, $1.18 asked.

Glendale cotton mills, $1.45 offered and refused, $1.50 asked.

Graniteville Mfg. company, $1.60 offered and refused, $1.65 asked.

Pacolette Mfg. company, $1.95 offered and refused, $2.00 asked.

Peltzer Mfg. company, $1.75 offered and refused, $1.85 asked.

Piedmont Mfg. company, $1.74 offered and refused, $1.80 asked.

Sparton cotton mill, $1.35 offered and refused, $1.40 asked.

Union cotton mills, $1 30 offered and refused, $1.37 asked.

Swift Mfg. company, paying dividends this year of 20 per cent; their stock is worth $250 per share of $100 This company, we are reliably informed, has sufficient assets outside of mill building and machinery to pay stockholders $2.00 for every $1.00 of capital stock.

This list can also be increased if necessary.

Now, what is its significance, what does this vast expenditure of money mean?

It has passed the experimental period, for it now has a history of ten to twenty-five years of successful operation, certainly sufficient time to test its merits, and the business acumen and judgment of too many men are involved to admit of but one answer;

SOUTHERN COTTON MILLS, PROPERLY MANAGED, ARE SAFE AND PROFITABLE INVESTMENTS,

Not only is this true, they are of value to the communities securing them and the benefits of such an enterprise will be diffused among all classes of people in the town and county surrounding it.

We need this cotton mill in McKinney; there is plenty of room and though the foregoing list of mills may seem a long one, this is only a starter for the South, where the cotton is raised and already at hand for the looms.

We urge every citizen who feels an interest in the town and county, to do what he can toward securing the mill.

The committee raising this subscription proposes to see that the small stockholders in the proposed company are as thoroughly protected as those of the large ones and the holder of each $25 share will receive his full proportion of the dividends.

A subscription list will be circulated and we ask every citizen to subscribe as liberally as his means will permit.

Any member of the committee will be pleased to take your subscription or you can put your name on the subscription blank prepared and now ready at Jesse Shain's office.

The long experience of Mr. A. F. Parker as a manufacturer and designer of cotton and woolen goods gives us an unusual opportunity, as he is capable of training home labor, which will prove of great advantage, and in designing patterns for the colored goods—the class of goods that will earn the best profits, such as we propose to make and this will be the first cotton mill plant in Texas making all colored goods.

This will bring to all young people with idle capital, just starting in life, a splendid opportunity, especially for a perpetual investment.

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DR. J. C. ERWIN,
T. W. PERKINS,
JESSE SHAIN,
J. S. DOWELL,
J. L. GREER,
J. H. L. C. ENGLISH.

Herr Krupp's Lost Will.

Berlin, Nov. 25.—The funeral of Herr Krupp will take place from the old house where his father lived poorly while striving to cast the first steel gun. Emperor William will attend the funeral.

The will of the deceased gunmaker, according to a semi-authoritative statement, provides that the works shall not be reformed in a joint stock company under twenty-five years. Meantime the revenues of the whole property will go to the widow, and after her death to the eldest daughter. The value of the estate, estimated by the bankers who were connected with Herr Krupp, is $75,000,000. This does not include securities owned by the deceased outside his manufacturing plants, which may possibly amount to as much more.

The suicide theory has not yet quieted. The Cologne Gazette says:

"Whether he died from shock due to excitement and embitterment over the attacks made upon him, or whether, adjudging himself guilty, he took his own life, the questions which, however answered by the accusation itself, must halt at his death."

The physicians who were in attendance upon Herr Krupp have drawn up a statement which for the present is kept secret, but it is understood that it declares he died of apoplexy.

It appears that after Herr Krupp regained consciousness on Saturday he insisted on discussing with his solicitor, Herr Korn, the prosecution of the newspapers for publishing accusations against him, and that thereupon the second stroke followed.

Collin County Gleanings.

Items From Adjacent Towns, Villages and Communities of a General Interest.

WHITEWRIGHT

Miss Lena Ashinghush, of Pilot Grove, returned home after a week's visit to her sister Mrs Ary Davis.

The oil mill closed Saturday on account of having no seed.

The district school is progressing nicely under the management of Prof Hucy as principal and Miss Nellie Wise, of Ladonia, as assistant teacher.

Mrs L E Benton and children returned home after a week's visit to her mother Mrs R T Smith, who is real sick.

R T Smith and L E Benton returned to Altoga to do some carpenter work for Dr. S. J. Dobbs.

Joe McKahan is talking of going to California to make it his home.

Charles Graves has returned from South Dakota to his old home in Whitewright. We welcome him.

Mr. Heard has moved to the Territory.

GRAY BILL.

Gray Bill, Texas, Nov. 24, '02—As David Crockett said, "it rained riproarously" last night, and the little streams are swollen into little rivers.

I D Hood will be the employee of Ham Giles for awhile.

M C Caylor is in Pike on business.

G W Holcomb's baby is dangerously ill.

D W. Hood and wife have a new baby boy.

A B Griffin and wife have moved to West Texas.

J W Fair and wife have returned home from an extended visit in the west and report a good time. Mrs Fair says she doesn't like the west.

The Western people are well blessed with rough roads, big pastures, poor cattle and big tanks of muddy water. They have plenty of something good to eat, and say they will live over the drouth. There are no better people than those of the west.

Prof J H Sutherland's baby boy is on the sick list.

The Gray Bill school is progressing nicely under Prof Williams guidance.

Rev Fagg will take charge of the M E church at Westminister for 1903.

LEBANON.

Lebanon, Nov. 25. 1902.—It has rained almost every day for the past three weeks but is some what colder now and is not raining.

Mr E. R Wade has returned from Roswell, New Mexico.

Many were in Frisco Sunday and Monday viewing the wreck and watching the piles driven for the new railroad dam.

Mr. George Sapp is again here after several months absence.

Born to Dr and Mrs J M Mallow—a girl.

Mrs R. W Yager and daughter Miss Lula were shopping in McKinney last Thursday.

Many bridges and culverts have been washed out by recent rains,

For some reason the mail carrier failed to come yesterday this is the first day he has failed since the rural delivery began.

Lilac.

FAYBURG.

Fayburg, Texas, Nov. 25.—The recent heavy rains have given the farmers the blues and have about ruined all the bottom cotton.

The mail on this route, No. 2, failed to come Saturday.

G W Ellis had very bad luck lately, he lost two horses in one week with blind staggers.

H B Blankenship is visiting in Kaufman and Parker counties.

C D Jeffcoat has sold his merchandise business to J H Montgomery, who will contiune business at the same old stand.

Mrs Anna Hutchinson and family left last Thursday for Hopkins county where she will spend the winter with her brother.

Mrs Lizzie Tucker of Farmersville is visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs J A Evans.

J J Harp and Lev Biggs are preparing to move to Kemp Co.

The young people enjoyed an old time dance Tuesday night at the home of Mr and Mrs Bryant Evans.

A number of our young people attended the wedding of Mr Keller and Miss Mary Amos at Blue Ridge Monday night.

J J Peel has a smile on that reaches from the north to the South Pole—you see its a big boy.

JACOB.

CHAMBLISS

Chambliss, Nov. 25.—As there has been no pretty weather lately of course there has been little passing around and there is but little news.

Sam Cantrell's baby was buried at Chambliss cemetery yesterday.

Jim Price spent a few days in Denison last week.

Our school is progressing nicely notwithstanding the weather.

Prof Bates of Millwood has closed his singing school at this place. He gave full satisfaction and will probably teach a 10 days school here next summer.

The mail carrier on this route stayed two days the last trip. He was headed off by the creeks and branches.

Everybody who is going to move is very anxious for the sun to shine again.

B J Nichols and Hadin Bass will move to, or near Celina.

Bill and George Huff are going to Cook county.

Simp Hightower has moved to Denton county. It seems we are all going to leave yet.

Rev Hall of Westminster spent last Saturday night and Sunday with J H Johnson's family.

Jim Mounger is living at A J Hartley's at present.

Jim and Joe and Miss Verna Giles were called to the bedside of their step sister who is very sick.

Little Absy.

DONNA.

Donna, Nov. 25.—Robert Hendricks and Clark Walker made a business trip to Denison one day last week.

Miss Lou Greer returned to her home in Trenton after a week's visit with relatives.

Grandma Brayshears passed away on the 20th inst at the home of her daughter, Mrs Penny, and was buried at Ground's cemetery the 22nd.

J W West leaves this afternoon for Sallisaw I. T. and Siloam Springs Ark.

Dave Beck has returned from Mill Creek I. T.

Mrs. Ellen Burgess and son S E., of Ivan are visiting the family of T. L. West.

Bob Tucker and family have arrived from Ark.

Mrs Hemphill has come to live with her daughter Mrs Lily Randles.

James Coffey and Mrs Mollie Rodgers have been numbered with the sick.

Diana.

PROSPER.

Prosper, Nov. 26.—Rain and mud envelopes everything.

Messrs Tom Goodnight and Sim Wright have returned from a trip to New Mexico.

Work has begun on the new school house and it will soon be completed.

Born to Mr and Mrs J P Mitchell a girl last Tuesday.

M Stevenson and son Scott have retnrned from a trip to Dallas.

Jim Cunningham was in the city last week smiling—it's a girl.

Rev John Kimbrough from Tennessee preached at the Baptist church Saturday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights. He formerly lived at Rock Hill

Mr and Mrs Watson have moved into their new residence.

Mr Phelps will begin work on his hotel soon.

Titus Keen has returned to McKinney from a visit to his parents ex-County Clerk M W Keen and wife here.

Mack Smith of Walnut Grove will move into his new residence here this week.

The town is supplied with plenty of water now—the water works being completed.

School is progressing nicely, one hundred pupils enrolled.

W C Naugle moved into his new residence Monday.

TIOGA.

Tioga, Nov. 24th.—It has been raining here nearly every day since about the 8th of this month, and looks like it is never going to stop.

The Frisco trains have been running over this road as their road is washed out down about Frisco City.

Mr. Mancini, of Memphis, Tenn., returned home much improved in health.

The Sanctified people are holding a meeting here. There is a large audience every night.

Jack Faw made a lecture here last Tuesday night to a good crowd and they say he is a fine lecturer.

Paul Harris of McKinney was here a few days last week.

Leslie Powell of McKinney is here again drinking mineral water,

Ben Graves, R. M. Philips, H. D Tittsworth, B H Alverson, U A Magee, B M Rutherford and several others were visitors to Sherman first of last week.

Mr J S Nichols of Ft Worth but formerly of this place was here last week on business.

Rev Stafford of Sherman preached at the Methodist church last Sunday week.

Rev J K McMillan preached at the Methodist church yesterday for his last time as conference meets this week and we will have a new preacher.

Ira Allman, Howard Reynolds, S P Anderson, Joe Coppage, Joe McMillon, John Cunby, Jack Riggs, Bert Cutler, and Bob Spears were in Sherman last week on business.

Jeff Rose of Kentucky is here visiting relatives.

W BParker and P H Ruby of White Mound were here last week.

Dr Thompson who moved here from Sterrett Texas a short time ago is having a nice dwelling erected on his farm just north east of town.

Bob Woodford and Miss Alma Stanley were married here Nov. 16. Rev D O Hanse officiated. The groom is the night operator here and the bride is a charming young lady of Pilot Point. We extend best wishes to them.

Alma Reese of Sherman was here last week.

Miss Pearl Shumate is reported sick.

C C Shumat a drummer but formerly a grocery man of this place spent Sunday here visiting friends and relatives.

Little John

LOCAL NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Andrews, of Sherman, are in the city visiting relatives.

Mrs. T. J. Melton left Tuesday morning for a visit to her daughter in Farmersville.

Miss Peters, of Memphis Tenn. arrived Monday for a visit to Miss Velma Scott.

Rev. W. H. Richardson is just in from Rusk where he held a good meeting despite vntavorable weather.

Will Carver, of Farmersville now with J. E. Hinman's Palace barber shop on the south side of the square.

Owing to washouts the freight trains of the Frisco railroad are being run over the H. & T. C. through McKinney.

S. O. Scott is serving as stock claim agent for the H. & T. C. railroad. He returned last evening from a trip to Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Newsome have gone on a visit to their daughter, Mrs. Goodall H. Wooten of Austin, and their son, Tom, who is in school there.

Misses Catharine and Margaret Crawford, Myrtle Boughton, of Dallas, Bessie Walcott of Honey Grove and May Peters of Memphis Tenn., who are being entertained by Miss Velma Scott, will be honorees of a ball at Harmonie Hall tonight.

Jerry Osterhout, one of the Examiner's employes, returned last evening from Belton, where he had been for several days attending the bedside of his sister and father who are very sick. He received a message this morning stating that they were much worse and he left immediately for Belton again.

TO STOP TRAIN ROBBERIES

Big Rewards to be Offered—Dead Bandit is Worth $1000

RAILROADS ACT IN CONCERT

With Express Companies—This Industry must be Throttled By Some Means

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 25.—Train robbery as an industry is to be throttled through concerted action of railroad and express companies operating from headquarters scattered throughout the Middle West.

Local officials of some of the roads directly interested, through incidents of this character, which are of recent origin, have been spurred to drastic measures. The Davenport robbery of the fast Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific train, was the straw that broke the camel's back. The railroad company, in conjunction with the United States Express Company, issued a joint reward today of $5000 for the arrest and conviction of the men who robbed their train early Saturday morning. In addition, the Burlington officials announced that a dead train robber would be worth $1000 to any of its employes.

"We have given all our trainmen to understand," said F. A. Delano, general manager of the Burlington Road, "and also he express messengers, that a dead train robber is worth $1000 to any of them. All our conductors and trainmen carry revolvers, and we are encouraging them to do so, and to learn to shoot straight. I am in favor of a concerted action on the part of the railway management and express companies, which shall have for its object the hounding of train robbers to the ends of the earth."

Officials of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St Paul, Illinois Central and the Chicago and Alton Roads coincided with Mr. Delano's statement, and declared that they would not hesitate for an instant to bear their share of any burden brought about by a concerted movement to eradicate the evil.

Off for Conference

Revs. F. A. Rosser, C. O. Jones, and J. H. McLean and wife left Tuesday for Terrell to attend the North Texas Annual Conference of the M. E. Church South which convened there Wednesday.

CHARGED WITH KIDNAPING

Man and a Young Girl Are Located in Castro County

Hereford, Tex., Nov. 25—Sheriff Magill of Burnet county came in this morning after a man who was arrested a few days ago by Sheriff Burnham of Castro county on information from Burnet county charging him with kidnaping a girl 14 years of age. He is said to have a wife and children, and was found by Sheriff Burnham traveling across the country. Sheriff Magill left this evening with the man and girl in custody.

IN A SOMNOLENT TRANCE

Girl Has for Fifty-Six Days Not Spoken a Word

Centralia, Mo., Nov. 25.—Dora Meek, who, after a quarrel with her lover, fifty-six days ago, immediately lapsed into a somnolent trance, has not in that time evinced distinct consciousness or spoken a word. She eats a little each day, yet apparently does it instinctively. Every effort is being made to restore her to consciousness.

Wreck Kills Three.

Sherman, Tex., Nov. 24.—Last evening a northbound freight train out of Francis for Sapulpa, on the Frisco, ran into an open switch at Sealy, I. T., 120 miles north of Sherman, and collided with the boarding cars of a tie train.

There were perhaps fifty people in the cars, three of which were demolished.

The dead bodies of two men, Dan Lynch and James Brophy, were taken from the debris. Eight of the wounded were taken to Holdenville and one of them, whoss name could not be learned, died this afternoon.

All trains between Sherman and Sapulpa were sent around by the Missouri, Kansas and Texas today.

Holford-Turner

Mr. C. N. Holford and Miss Lillie Turner were married at the home of the bride's father, J. P. Turner, at Plano Monday eve at 8:30 o'clock, Rev. G. C. Mountcastle, pastor Methodist church, officiating.

The groom's home is in Ennis, though he is at present stopping in McKinney.

Marriage License.

C. N. Holford and Miss Lillie Turner.

J. W. Green and Misss Mattie Bush.

2ND SESSION CONGRESS

Which Meets in Washington Dec. 1st Will be Short

THE APPROPRIATION BILL

There Will be Little Time For Consideration of Anything Else Now

On the first day of December the Fifty-Seventh Congress will meet in Washington for its second session. The life of the present Congress ends by law on March 4th; it therefore has only three months in which to work. That period, even, is shortened by the holiday recess, and little more than eight weeks is available for serious business.

Certain things must be done, most important of all the passage of the appropriation bills. The preparation of these measures and the debate upon them will take up considerable time, and leave not much for new matters.

The consideration of a reciprocity treaty with Cuba by the Senate, or a Cuban reciprocity amendment to the tariff law by both branches, is probable. Settlement of commercial relations with Cuba was postponed at the last session.

Although various propositions were made last winter for extending the control of the general government over corporations, none of them was adopted. It is certain that the discussion of this question will be renewed this winter. It is certain, also, that propositions will be made to regulate the great corporations known as "trusts," and that the labor troubles of the summer and autumn will yield their crop of bills to make impossible the stoppage of any great industry at an expense of the inconvenience and suffering of great communities.

The appropriation bills will be passed, but it is useless to speculate as to the fate of any other measures. Before a bill can get before the House of Representatives it must be reported by the proper committee, and before it can come to a vote the Speaker and the committee on rules must consent. Their attitude will depend on the exigencies of partisan politics, as well as on the amount of time left from the consideration of the appropriation measures.

John Green returned to his home in Allen Tuesday after a visit to friends here.

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THIRD It has not only collected from its policy holders more than any other Company, but it has paid to its policy holders more and now holds in trust for payment of future claims more than any other Company.

FOURTH Policies issued by The Mutual Life have always brought results more favorable to the insured than any policies similar in character issued by any other Life Insurance Company.

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No 5—9:46 a m | No 3—8:46 p m

SOUTH BOUND H & T C.

No 4—9:12 a m | No10—3:44p m.
No 8—1:03p m | No 6—6.48 p m

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From belts and legging to amunition, hunting knives and game bags.

STEPHENS & HERNDON.

Sam Hynds, of Durant, spent Sunday in the city with home folks.

You can save money on Wall Paper and Paints now at City Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. V. O. Marshall spent Sunday in Dallas visiting the former's parents.

Heave cure and stock powders all the good kinds sold at City Drug Store.

George Murphy, of Sherman, was in the city on business Monday.

Pure old whiskey, brandy and wines sold on prescription only at City Drug Store.

Window glass the right size at the right price.

SMITH BROS. & Co

The Nickel Store leads with their large stock of factory bought Christmas goods. d2 w1

Joe McKinney and M. G. Abernathy returned Monday from a hunting trip below Houston.

The Nickel Store wants to divide profits with you during the first six days of December—one-fifth off on everything. d2 w1

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Murphy have moved to Celina, where Mr Murphy has purchased an interest in a hardware store.

White mustard, celery seed, turmeric, etc. Don't forget when you make "Chow chow."

SMITH BROS. & Co.

Hasn't the Nickel Store hammered down more prices on little articles than anybody? Then don't they deserve your patronage? d2 w1

C. A. Houston and Robert Love returned from Amarillo Saturday night. Mr. Love will move there January 1st.

The Nickel Store will divide profits with their customers the first week in December by giving 20 per cent discount on everything in stock. Now is your time to buy Xmas goods at unheard of prices. d2 w1

One dollar's worth of goods at the Nickel Store for 80 cents the first week in December. Buy there, save money and get first choice. d2 w1

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Dangerfield, Texas, Oct. 17, 1901. Dr. E. W. Hall. St. Louis: Dear Sir—I have used Hall's Texas Wonder, and will say that it cured my little 2-year-old boy of serious kidney trouble.

REV. J. WOODSON,
Formerly of Marshall.

PARLOR MATCHES

Can Not be Used in New York City After Jan. 1

New York, Nov. 24.—On and after Jan. 1 common parlor matches can not be sold or used within the limits of Greater New York By the passing of this ordinance the match trust will have a monopoly in the city. All of the so-called safety matches manufactured in the United States are made in the factories of the Diamond Match Company—the match trust. All the imported safety matches are made in the factories of the same company. Safety matches cost from two to five times as much as parlor matches, the latter varying a great deal in quality.

Parlor matches can be ignited by striking them anywhere, for they contain chlorate of potash in their business end. Safety matches can be ignited only by striking them on the box, for the chlorate of potash is on the box instead of on the head of the match.

A Thanksgiving Dinner

Heavy eating is usually the first cause of indigestion. Repeated attacks inflame the mucous membranes lining the stomach, exposes the nerves of the stomach, producing a swelling after eating, heartburn, headache, sour risings and finally catarrh of the stomach. Kodol relieves the inflammation, protects the nerves and cures the catarrh. Kodol cures indigestion, dyspepsia, all stomach troubles by cleansing and sweetening the glands of the stomach. City Drug Store.

CHUM WITH THE CHILDREN

There are many conscientious fathers and mothers who make themselves and their children miserable by taking youthful foibles too seriously. It is an innate propensity of a child possessed of the average good health and spirits to make older people laugh with him, not at him, but at the things that seem amusing to his own sense, and the mother who has the blithe and ready humor to enter into his fun becomes his most fascinating companion.

He heeds her rebukes and bends to her correction without ill feeling where sternness would arouse his pride and ire, for he is assured that she is ready to share all his innocent pranks and that her disapproval has no foundation in impatience or injustice.

One Minute Cough Cure

Is the only harmless cough cure that gives quick relief. Cures coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, whooping cough, pneumonia, asthma, lagrippe and all throat, chest and lung troubles. I got soaked by rain, says Gertrude E. Fenner, Muncie, Ind., and contracted a severe cold and cough. I failed rapidly; lost 48 lbs. My druggist recommended One Minute Cough Cure. The first bottle brought relief; several cured me. I am back to my old weight, 148 lbs. One Minute Cough Cure cuts the phlegm, relieves the cough at once, draws out inflammation, cures croup. An ideal remedy for children. City Drug Store.

The Nickel Store can afford to sell goods at 20 per cent discount since they buy direct from the factories in such quantities as these: 25,000 tablets, 250,000 envelopes, 100,000 pencils, 15,000 books, 5,000 albums, 5,000 pictures, 43,000 dolls, 3,000 harps, 15,000 vases, 5,000 pocket knives, 300 air rifles, 350 bbls lamps, 1,000 bbls glassware, $10,000 worth of queensware—5 cars, $4,400 chinaware, 8 cars toys, 5 cars tinware, enameled ware and galvanized ware. Other things in proportion. d2 w1

FROM OVER THE COUNTY.

BLUE RIDGE.

Blue Ridge, Nov. 25th.—Miss Lucy Brown, of Weston, is visiting relatives in Blue Ridge.

Alvin Curtis, of Climax, was in Blue Ridge Monday.

Mrs. John Sellers is seriously ill with typhoid fever.

Miss Havens, of Farmersville, visited her sister last week.

The nine months old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Will Brown died Saturday evening, very suddenly, with pneumonia.

George Calloway, of Farmersville, was in Blue Ridge Sunday

A little infant of Mr. and Mrs. Price Barley died Sunday and was buried Monday.

Charley Chitty is able to be in town after a long siege with pneumonia.

Paul Copeland was in McKinney Monday on business.

Harvey McGuffey is dangerously ill with fever.

I. D. Sellars, of Bennington, I. T., is visiting relatives in Blue Ridge.

Dr. Mitchell, of Celina, is at the bedside of his sister, Mrs. Sellars.

Mr. Press and Miss Cantrell were married Sunday evening at the home of the bride's parents, John Beckham officiating.

Mr. Vestal, of Melissa, was in Blue Ridge Saturday.

Little Ninis Airhart has been real sick, but is better now.

Rev. G. B. Airhart went to Nobility Sunday to officiate in the Mellugin and Morrow nuptials.

On the 17 instant all our little village was called together to witness one of the prettiest weddings at the Methodist church that has been in our town for several months.

The contracting parties were Frank Keller, of Trinadad, Col., and Miss Mary Amos, Blue Ridge, Tex., Rev. J. W. Blackburn officiating, assisted by G. B. Airhart.

Mr. Keller is a promising young man and Miss Amos is one of our noblest Christion workers. We will miss her from our village.

She has been here only a short time; but her friends are numbered by the hundreds.

Miss Mary so loved and was loved that she desired to shake hands with all her friends, which was done in a most solemn way amidst tears and "God bless you." After the formal goodbye Rev. J. B. Wilbanks pronounced the benediction.

Mr. and Mrs. Keller left the next morning for Colorado. They carry the love and best wishes of all this people.

May Lee.

MELISSA.

Melissa, Nov. 25.—Miss Lillian Bean, of Howe, is visiting here.

Miss Anna Love and Mrs. Rebecca Shirley, of Anna, are guests at Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Shirley's.

Miss Myrtle Nichols, of Gainesville, is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Martin.

Mrs. V. R. Ogilvie has returned from Waco where she visited her son, Henry, who is attending Baylor University.

Mr. J. Vestal went to Nobility last Sunday where he attended the nuptials of (and acted as best man for) Mr. Mellugin and Miss Marlow.

Mrs. Aurora Spencer and children returned to their home at Ft. Worth Sunday after a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Shelton.

The residences of Messrs Cass, Osbone and J. W. Douglas are nearing completion and will be, when finished, quite pretty cottages.

Mrs. A. J. Cline has been quite sick the past week.

Dr. A. V. Rutledg had a telegram that his brother in Mississippi was dying and left immediately for his old home. When he reached there his brother was dead, and his mother is now quite sick and the doctor will remain with her until she is better. We sympathize with Dr. Rutledge in this deep trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Martin entertained a few of the young people Tuesday evening in honor of Miss Nichols of Gainesville. Games of different kinds were indulged in, Also music was furnished by string band.

Mrs. Winston "our music teacher" gave us a reading; also some of her best music. The evening was enjoyed very much by all present, and some time again soon we hope Mr. and Mrs. Martin will treat us as royally as they did this evening.

Mrs. and Mrs. Bub Strother and children of Anna visited Mrs. Strother's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gibson Tuesday night.

The death angel has knocked at the door of one of our pioneer homes and taken from the family circle our dear old friend and loved one, Mrs. M. Lacey. She has been a cripple and a sufferer for several years—yet a true Christian, bearing with great courage and fortitude her "shut-in" life. She always enjoyed meeting with God's people at the house of prayer—enjoying the fellowship of Christians, but since being afflicted she was denied that sweet pleasure. A few services were held by her pastors at her home and she enjoyed them so much. Jesus has been her friend and companion all along her Christian walk, and on the bed of pain and death he drew aside the curtain and enters with these magic words, "Be of good cheer; It is I be not afraid." Fear not I am with thee, for where I am ye shall be also. Having loved my own I will love them to the end, for Lo! I am with you always. What comforting words to a ripe Christian Saint. Her sons, Messrs Lewis Lacey of Ft. Worth and Ira Lacey of Sherman, were here. She lived with her daughter, Mrs. Mattie Winchester. May the Lord comfort and bless them in this sad hour of trial.

The Lucas Stock of Groceries at Cost....

I have bought the Gabe Lucas stock of Groceries at a big discount and want to close them out by December 1st. This is a good clean stock and now is the time to lay in your groceries at a big saving in price.

SALE BEGINS NOV. 20 AND CONTINUES UNTIL DEC. 1.

At the Lucas stand, South Tennessee Street, second door south of The Fair. Stock and fixtures must sell. First come, first served.

Yours for Biz,

W. E. DITTO.

Helpful Reading Some newspapers print matter to fill up space. Much of this is really harmful reading. It is the aim of **The Semi-weekly News** to give helpful reading. Thousands will testify to its helpfulness to them. Ask your neighbor.

The Farmers' Department has helped many. It is not the theory of farming written by college professors and others up North on conditions that don't fit Texas. It is the actual experiences of farmers here at home who have turned over the soil.

Special Offer If you are not taking **The Democrat** you should be. It is helpful to the best interests of your town and county. For $1.75, cash in advance, we will mail you **The Democrat** and **The Galveston or Dallas Semi-Weekly News** for 12 months. The news stops when your time is out.

Cured of Piles After 40 Years

Mr. C. Haney, of Geneva, Ohi had the piles for forty years Doctors and dollars could do hi no lasting good. DeWitt's Witc Hazel Salve cured him perma nently. Invaluable for cuts burns, bruises, sprains, lacera tions, eczema, tetter, salt rheu and all other skin diseases. Loo for the name DeWitt on the pac age—all others are cheap, worth less counterfeits. City Drug Stor

Bought a Home

George Johnson, who recent moved to McKinney and has be living at the Pafford place North College Street, has bou a nice little home on North Col man Street, which they will occ py at on early day.

For a Bad Cold

If you have a bad cold you ne a good reliable medicine li Chamberlain's cough remedy loosen and relive it, and to al the irritation and inflammation the throat and lungs. For s by City Drug Store.

A young man working in a near Terrell, about two mon ago, placed in a bale of cotto thumb photo of himself and letter requesting an answer. reply came Friday, written i factory in England, with the p ture of the finder, a good look woman of about 30, accepting challenge to correspond. It interesting to note that this of cotton, picked and ginned h not three months ago, has g across the ocean, been ma factured and notice of its c tents received at the place wh it was ginned.

The more goods we sell, cheaper we can buy and s Stick to us, and we will stick you with low prices. One-fift the first week in December.— Nickel Store. d2

R. W. Inman, of Terrell, a remarkable dream Thurs night. He staked out his h that night as usual. About m night he was awakened b dream that the horse was tangled in the rope and abou choke to death. It so impse him that he dressed and went to see, and found the anima precisely the place and in the dition indicated in his dream.

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